





## Paris expels Arab mediator in hostage negotiations

PARIS, May 4. (AP): Omran Adham, a Syrian businessman who has undertaken several mediation missions for the release of French hostages in Lebanon, was expelled from France last night. Arab diplomatic and French government sources said.

They said the Interior Ministry used a special administrative procedure, "Absolute urgency," to expel Adham, who is said to be close to Syrian President Hafez Al Assad.

The procedure means judicial approval is not necessary. It is also used to expel Basque separatists to Spain.

The expulsion order was signed by Interior Minister Charles Pasqua and Adham left last night by plane for another European capital, the sources said.

The ministry declined to comment. The Syrian Embassy also had no comment.

Adham has a Syrian diplomatic passport but is not on the official diplomatic list issued by the Foreign Ministry. He has resided in Paris for 11 years and his wife and four children are French.

### Statements

The sources said Pasqua, who is close to Premier Jacques Chirac, was annoyed by Adham's persistent statements to the media about an imminent release of the three hostages just before the first round of the presidential elections on April 24.

A close aide to Pasqua, Jean Charles Marchiani, made several trips to the Middle East in the weeks before voting to try to obtain the release of the hostages held by Islamic Jihad.

The French hostages are two diplomats, Fontaine, 45, and Marcel Carton, 62, and journalist Jean-Paul Kauffmann, 44.

They are among 18 foreigners missing in Lebanon. Terry Anderson, 40, chief Middle East correspondent of the Associated Press, has been held the longest of current hostages.

French press reports said release of the hostages before the voting was imminent.

## Walesa presses for economic reforms

# Poland warned of revolution

GDANSK, May 4. (AP): Solidarity founder Lech Walesa, emerging as the dominant figure in a strike by 7,000 Lenin Shipyard workers, warned of "a bloody revolution" if reform is not achieved.

Walesa, 44, vowed he would not lead the strike, but addressed workers several times Tuesday. When police cordoned the plant, he remained inside until late evening, said his friend and adviser, the Rev. Henryk Jankowski.

"I am not your leader. I'm tired," said the man who vaulted a fence in 1980 and led a labour revolt that brought down a government. "You need a new Walesa, many more new Walesas."

The 1983 Nobel peace prize winner still works at the shipyard as an electrician but is on sick leave this week, complaining of back pains and low blood sugar.

"You declared this strike," he said. "I'm with you and I'll

always be with you. I can advise you. I have some experience."

"If we don't achieve a real reform this time, then we will have a bloody revolution."

### Police

Police pulled back from the Lenin Shipyard in Gdansk today as a Solidarity-led sit-in strike for higher pay and reinstatement of the outlawed free trade union entered its third day.

Heavy contingents of police who swamped surrounding streets of the northern Polish port on Tuesday, sealing off the strikebound shipyard, disappeared before dawn today.

They withdrew after the politburo of the ruling Communist Party in Warsaw said it understood the concerns of citizens and favoured resolving labour problems in co-ordination with the workers.

In Warsaw, protesters marched in the streets in support of the strikers, an opposition spok-

esman said. Police dispersed them.

On the first day of the shipyard strike Monday, workers asked that a local Solidarity charter be approved, but on Tuesday demanded reinstatement of the union nationwide.

Solidarity, the first independent union in the Soviet bloc, was crushed and outlawed after martial law was declared Dec 13, 1981.

The government Tuesday ruled out any reconsideration of its ban on Solidarity.

"This is not a question that can be an object of negotiations," said government spokesman Jerzy Urban at a Warsaw news conference. "It is not negotiable."

Urban said the government would not get involved in talks with strikes, leaving that to management and factory workers' councils.

Meanwhile, the Soviet Com-

munist Party daily Pravda today accused Western "anti-Polish centres," including radio networks, of encouraging renewed unrest in Poland, and criticised Lech Walesa and other Solidarity leaders.

The newspapers denied that Poland's May Day festivities had been marred by demonstrations. Eyewitnesses and opposition sources reported violence in at least eight Polish cities on May Day.

The May Day clashes followed Poland's worst week of labour unrest since Polish communist leader General Wojciech Jaruzelski imposed martial law in December 1981 to crush the Solidarity free trade union.

Pravda, in its fullest account of the strikes to date, said they started in Poland on April 25 following major increases in food and consumer goods prices.

But the paper charged the unrest was fanned by the West.

## Jammu calls off search for survivors

# 11 more children rescued

JAMMU, India, May 4. (UPI): Workers rescued 11 children, trapped for more than 24 hours under the rubble of a collapsed hospital in northern India last night, before calling off the search for survivors of the tragedy that left at least 32 dead.

There are no more signs of life," said Kashmir state Health Minister R.S. Chiv in announcing an end to the rescue operation.

More than 200 military and paramilitary personnel worked into the night with picks, shovels and their bare hands after the Monday morning collapse of the top two floors of the government children's hospital in Jammu, the winter capital of Kashmir.

The rescue workers pulled out 11 children trapped for more than 24 hours in a tangle of steel beams, rods and slabs of concrete, that was once the three-story medical facility, 550 km north of New Delhi.

"They looked very scared," said a witness, who saw the children emerge one by one from the mountain of debris.

Officials said all 11 children were injured, three of them critically, bringing the total injury toll to 30. The Maharajah Hari Singh Hospital said 19 people admitted to the facility were out of danger.

Rescue supervisor, Brig. H.S. Ghuman, said searchers had retrieved 17 bodies. He said workers located but were not able to recover 15 other corpses, bringing the confirmed death toll to 32.

Gen. R.S. Taraji, who headed the operation, said workers will continue to search for bodies for at least three more days.

There were still conflicting reports on the exact number of children, visiting parents and hospital staff in the facility at the time of the cave-in.

Ghuman said 62 people were

in the facility Monday when the unoccupied top story collapsed, causing the middle floor to also crumble. The ground floor remained standing, crowded by tons of debris.

He said about 35 children and their parents had already been evacuated from the top floor Sunday when medical staff on the middle floor saw large cracks appear in the walls after a fierce rainstorm.

But hospital superintendent D.R. Mahas said some of the beds were occupied by two children. Mahas also said most children had at least one parent with them and there were about 10 doctors and nurses on duty.

Immediately after the disaster, authorities suspended three of the building's engineers and filed a criminal case on the subcontractor from the department of public works who in 1985 added a third floor to the 30-year-old building.

## Siamese twin undergoes further surgery

JOHANNESBURG, May 4. (Reuters): Little Gift, the Siamese twin separated from her sister in a Soweto hospital, underwent further surgery today, a hospital spokeswoman said.

Mphahanya (Little Gift) and Mpho (Gift), who were joined at their heads when they were born 16 months ago, were separated in an eight-hour operation on Tuesday.

Members of the 40-member surgery team have cautioned that prospects for the survival of Mphahanya, the weaker of the two, could be uncertain.

Spokeswoman Annette Clear at the bug Baragwanath Hospital in Soweto township said: "She started bleeding at the wound, and they are not very sure where the bleeding comes from."

Clear told reporters that the next three days were critical. If they survive, both twins will have to undergo further operations, to reconstruct the backs of their heads.

Senior neurosurgeon Percy Miller told reporters on Tuesday: "We don't know how the smaller twin will stand up to the extensive blood loss that has occurred."

Doctors earlier expressed fears that the babies might have suffered brain damage following two preliminary operations last October.



Dukakis greets hundreds of his supporters in Ohio. (Reuters wirephoto)

## Dukakis heads for party nomination

WASHINGTON, May 4. (Reuters): Michael Dukakis is rolling toward the Democratic presidential nomination and an election fight with Republican George Bush after he scored easy wins in the Ohio and Indiana primaries.

Dukakis beat long Democratic rival Jesse Jackson in the two contests that mattered most, but the black leader blocked the Massachusetts governor from a clean sweep by winning the smaller primary in Washington, DC.

Dukakis won Ohio, and Indiana by a better than two-to-one margin over Jackson, who easily swept the nation's capital, which has a 70 per cent black population.

With about two-thirds of Indiana's vote recorded, Dukakis led Jackson by 68 to 24 per cent. In Ohio, with about 70 per cent of the vote counted, Dukakis won by 64 to 26 per cent.

Jackson won Washington by 77 to 21 per cent. He also won the Michigan primary on March 26, the first and only large industrial state won by the Baptist preacher.

Vice-President Bush, who clinched the Republican presidential nomination last week in the Pennsylvania primary, accused Dukakis of a doom and gloom

campaign, during a speech celebrating his wins in Ohio, Indiana and Washington.

He told cheering supporters at a Washington hotel: "My views, let Mike Dukakis go around talking about pink slips (dismissal notices), despair, pessimism in the United States."

"I'll be the guy out there talking about hope and opportunity and challenge and the fact that the United States is the fairest and the most decent nation on the face of the earth. Let them apologize for America, and let me lead her to new greatness."

At his own news conference in Boston yesterday night, Dukakis refused to be drawn into a fight against Bush — even though Dukakis has previously called him a "blank slate" with unknown policies.

"I would hope we can keep it positive — both of us," Dukakis said.

There were signs from the voting yesterday that a Bush-Dukakis election fight could be a tough contest. In the early morning polls by both the ABC and CBS television networks suggested that Democrats who had defected to vote for Republican President Reagan — who is ineligible to run for a third term — would return to the Democrats with Dukakis as candidate.

## New US protection policy

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to guard against terrorist retaliation for US military action against Iran in the Gulf.

"The government of Iran has practised terrorism for the past nine years," spokesman Charles Redman said. "Senior Iranian officials in recent weeks have threatened terrorist acts in retaliation for US actions in the Gulf."

"The US takes all such threats seriously and has advised posts to take appropriate precautions," Redman said.

### Missiles

Crowe said he was aware of, but could not confirm, reports that Iran may have 100 new C-801 Chinese missiles, a much more sophisticated missile than the land-based, anti-ship Chinese Silkworms. Tehran has deployed so far.

Crowe and Rear Admiral Anthony Less, commander of the Joint Task Force Middle East, also said that Iran's two remaining frigates, the 310-foot British-built Alvand and the Alborz, were operating in the Gulf along with a number of other surface ships from its depleted fleet.

Less said: "The biggest headache is the opportunity they have to put mines out there."

Nearly 50 mines have been found in the Gulf this year, but Less said that no new ones have been detected recently by the fleet of allied minesweepers that roam across the Gulf waterway, through which 20 per cent of the world's oil is shipped.

One of the Iranian missiles was seen on display aboard the USS Arado, a US Navy ship.

Iran's top war spokesman said the US would have stopped Iraqi air raids on Iran, stopping the flow of oil to the Gulf, if the US had not withdrawn its radio reported.

Parliamentary Speaker Ali Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani said Iran attacked ships only in response to the Iraqi strikes.

## Iran plans to establish empire

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agreed, the Americans accused. On his reaction to the Soviet call to get rid of all foreign fleets from the Gulf waters, Saddam said: "The real danger presently, is not the foreign navies, but the Iranian aggression."

"Our priority should be to develop ways and means to weaken and cease the Iranian aggression."

Praise Saddam lauded Saudi Arabia for cutting off diplomatic relations with Iran. He urged all Arabs and Muslims to emulate the Saudi action. On the stand taken by moderate states like Oman, UAE and Qatar he believed that no Arab or Muslim, if forced to choose, would hesitate to stand behind Iraq against Iran.

Meanwhile, Iraqi warplanes bombed an Iranian oil refinery and a petrochemical complex today and Iran claimed its anti-aircraft gunners shot down three of the jets.

The Iraqi raids were the first major attacks on Iranian cities since the two Gulf war foes observed a ceasefire in their so-called "war of the cities" April 21.

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## Dhaka troops thrash rebels

RANGAMATI, Bangladesh: May 4. (Reuters): Bangladeshi troops trying to quell a long insurgency in the south have repulsed two attacks by separatist tribal rebels, government officials said today.

They said guerrillas of the Shanti Bahini attacked an Army outpost in the heavily-forested Beichhari area in the Chittagong Hill Tracts twice on Tuesday, at dawn and dusk.

"The rebels were beaten back and forced to flee into deep forests," one official, who declined to be identified, told reporters. No casualties were reported.

Bangladeshi officials said on Monday that at least 47 Bengali-speaking settlers had been killed in the previous two weeks by the guerrillas fighting for autonomy for the 5,500 square miles (14,200 sq km) hill tracts bordering India and Burma.

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## Security patrols

# Round-the-clock surveillance

IN AN interview with the daily Al-Sayassah, the director of the Capital Security Colonel Salman Abdurrahman stated that the governorate's patrols were on a "round-the-clock surveillance" in different areas of the capital and closely cooperated with the Kuwaiti Coast Guards. These activities, he said, were meant to deter those trying to violate the security of Kuwait and its citizens, including a checking campaign of those violating the residence law and procedures. As a consequence, he stated, there was no need for setting up of new police stations in the governorate as the current ones were sufficient.

Colonel Abdurrahman praised the security awareness prevailing amongst citizens and expatriates and lauded the cooperation between the security authorities and the public. He strongly suggested that the ministry was very keen on upholding the reputation of its men and inefficiency was not tolerated.

### Surveys

The role of the coast guards in providing the necessary protection in the country's regional waters and in arresting infiltrators was commended upon by

Abdurrahman. He also added that the coast guards were in the process of making comprehensive and continuous surveys around the coasts of Kuwait.

He called on banks, institutions, administrations, owners of establishments and shops to ensure that they possessed the necessary safe-guards such as secured gates, warning alarms, etc., which would assist security men in performing their duties expeditiously.

Colonel Abdurrahman urged the setting up of a new study to focus on the problems of housemaids as he believed this was a serious problem which called for immediate solutions. He concluded by recommending to citizens and expatriates alike not to keep valuables, handbags, or items of importance inside their unlocked cars as these would only invite and encourage thieves.



● Kuwait's Minister of Information Sheikh Jaber Mubarak Al Sabah chats with Mahfouz Abu Zaid of the Saudi Press Agency during his visit to Kuwait yesterday. Mahfouz delivered a letter from the Saudi Information Minister to Sheikh Jaber.

## Co-ops union studying marketing techniques

THE Chairman of Kuwait's Union of Cooperative Societies Ali Abu Hadida has said that the union is studying some of the marketing techniques used by companies and supermarkets competing with the co-operatives.

He said that these businesses utilise methods which attract customers and could be implemented by the co-operatives.

Abu Hadida explained that the cooperative societies depend on local importers and agents in supplying the various items sold at the co-ops. Some cooperatives do import directly from outside when they find that prices outside of Kuwait are lower than prices of local importers.

The union has a special purchasing staff which compares prices of items quoted for the cooperatives and prices of substitute items on the local market.

He explained that items sold at the cooperative societies which carry the societies' commercial brand are sold at the same price in all cooperatives. The union's pricing committee has also fixed standard prices on 4,500 additional items sold.

He added that the difference in the price of some items sold in various co-ops was due to the ability of some to buy in large quantities at wholesale prices.

According to testimony given in court, the man's dog bit a man walking by on the leg. The owner of the dog then used abusive language when speaking to the victim and his brother.

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KUWAIT'S Court of Misdemeanour sentenced a man to two months imprisonment with hard labour and a KD105 fine for not keeping his dog properly confined.

## Rotation of responsibilities approved

MINISTER of Communications, Abdullah Al Sharhan approved a rotation decision shifting responsibilities of senior officials at the ministry.

The decision relieved Mohammad Saud Al Anjary from being Assistant Undersecretary and appointed him as counsellor at the ministry's office.

Sager Saleh Al Soodan was given the responsibility of transportation affairs, while Faisal Yousef Al Majed was put in charge of planning and development affairs. Salmaan Yousef Al Roumi is now responsible for technical affairs and managerial affairs was assigned to Ahmad Rashid Al Hammad.

All positions are at the rank of Assistant Undersecretary.

Under the decision, sealed on Thursday, the position of chief engineer is cancelled and the telegraph and telephone services department is changed into the subscribers services.

At the same time, the newly elected UMO officials, N.Y.K. Warner, Augustus Alanoth, Papadalam, Basheer, Yousuf Thalikulam and the outgoing members N.V. Hyder Ali, Ahy Varicad and Stephen Joseph.

In addition, Al Sharhan decided to incorporate the legal affairs office and the foreign relations office with the office of the undersecretary.

## UMO, Indian embassy officials discuss fare hike

THE UMO officials discussed the hike in air fares to India with Indian Charge d'Affaires, Atish Sinha, and presented a copy of a memorandum they have sent to the Indian prime minister and the Air India headquarters.

Air India, Kuwait Airways and British Airways are still charging full IATA fare tickets, despite their agreement being labelled illegal by the Civil Aviation Department. Airline officials said they "have not been notified by the concerned authorities".

A Malayalee officer will join the Indian Embassy staff in June, according to the United Malayalee Organisation (UMO) representatives.

Sinha has reportedly assured UMO that he would send a "detailed report to the government" about the hardships faced by Indians due to frequent air fare hikes in Kuwait.

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## Shops in model areas under review

THE municipal affairs committee will today hold a weekly meeting chaired by the Minister of State for Municipal Affairs Mohammed Al Rifai.

The discussions would focus primarily on the study related to the spreading of shops in model areas and private housing areas.

A source at the municipality stated that the committee would be discussing a proposal to extend licences to existing shops for a further period of three years. The deadline for closure of these shops is the next two days.

The study incorporates a new organisation structure for these shops permitting some professional shops to remain in private housing areas. Shops permitted to renew their licences would be those located in non-organised areas such as Hassawi and Jileeb Al Shiyoukh.

Others have expressed approval of the recommendation saying it will reduce the number of cars on the road and decrease air pollution. Those in favour of the measure have expressed the opinion that some of the people with many cars have more than they need and have them only for show. These people will quickly get rid of the extra cars if an official decision is made, those favouring the recommendation claim.

Others against the recommendation said that fathers sometimes register their children's cars in their name when they are below legal age.

## Experts to study land cave-in

STATE Minister for Housing Affairs Nasser Al Roudhan affirmed yesterday that foreign experts who arrived in Kuwait to study the subsiding of land in Duhair and Hediya will make complete survey of all areas in the country that are allocated for housing projects.

A piece of land subsided in Duhair area and led to the collapse of some of the houses.

## Summer club activities

THERE will be new and expanded activities at the summer clubs run by youth centres and children's gardens this year, the assistant undersecretary for youth affairs at the Social Affairs and Labour Ministry, Abdul Rahman Al Mazroo, said recently.

He told a local newspaper that the ministry will take part in the youth camp to be held in Alexandria from June 18 to Aug 31.

## Fast-food restaurants spreading fast

# Eating habits changing

A LOCAL newspaper interviewed a cross-section of fast-food restaurant owners and stated that the rapid spread of fast food caterers, has changed many of the local food habits, especially, during the holy month of Ramadan.

The general consensus was that several factors during Ramadan converged to cause sales to plummet: the Ifar (breakfast) meal prepared and eaten at home; the abundant number of fast food restaurants; and the employment of cheap Asian cooks and workers who find it hard to comprehend Arabian kitchen basics.

Saleh Mohamad Master, manager of Khar Murjan Restaurant felt that sales particularly during the first ten days of Ramadan were the lowest during the entire year rising to a peak during the last days of Ramadan. He believed customers preferred

going where the menu and services were good and was grateful that government support contributed towards prices of food remaining stable.

On the question of capital costs, Master stated that KD60,000 to KD 90,000 was required to build a five star restaurant. Location, he said, was very crucial for a successful business. He added that ready made catering has a very bright future in Kuwait and to prove it, pointed to the increase of many companies, particularly industrial, who have expanded their business to cover catering services during working hours at establishments. He cautioned that these rapid changes in the fast food market could cause catering tender prices to rise.

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Concentrate

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## New Paci phone numbers

THE Public Authority for Civil Information announced a change in its telephone numbers allocated to answer citizens' and expatriates' queries.

An authority official told Kuna that as of May 1st the following three telephone numbers 2636314, 2636322, 2669333 will be cancelled and all those wishing to inquire on their identity cards with the authority should dial the nine new numbers starting with 2658520 and ending 2658528.

He added that the increase was necessary to meet the growing number of telephone calls and asked citizens and expatriates to use the new numbers if they wish to inquire about postal services and issuance of new civil IDs and how to collect them.

## Kuwait again refutes Iranian allegations

KUWAIT on Tuesday sent a message to chief executive of the Organisation of Islamic Conference (OIC) Sharifuddin Pirzada refuting again Iran's allegations that Iraq used a Kuwaiti island in attacking Iranian forces.

The letter to Pirzada was sent by State Minister for Foreign Affairs Saoud Mohammed Al Osaime who emphasised that Kuwait had not permitted any non-Kuwaiti force to deploy on, or use, its territories, airspace or territorial waters.

Iran made the accusation against Kuwait last month and Kuwait was quick to deny it flatly and told the world community at the time that the allegation could be used by Tehran as a pretext to attack

Kuwait.

Shortly afterward, Iran did attack the Kuwaiti island of Bubiyan and fired a missile on Kuwaiti territory on April 20.

Al Osaime, in his letter to Pirzada, reiterated Kuwait's conviction about Iran's intentions and stressed that the "false and serious" Iranian accusations against Kuwait could herald more attacks on Kuwait.

He added that Iran's actions in the Gulf have run counter to the rules of the OIC and international law.

The Kuwaiti letter also pleaded with the OIC Secretary-General to continue to search for a peaceful end to the Iran-Iraq war under a settlement that would restore peace and security to the region.

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## Committees to study duplication of work

THE Council of Ministers set up four committees to study duplication of activities between Kuwait Municipality and the Ministries of Public Health, Commerce and Industry, the Public Authority for Agriculture and Fish Resources, and Finance (Department of State Properties).

The committees have held several meetings to study the logistics of duplication from the technical point of view. The final report was reviewed by the Council of Ministers. It is expected that amendments will be issued which would avoid duplication of work between the municipality and the relevant ministries. These amendments would lead to the ultimate reduction in the number of departments in these ministries.

The committees consisted of the Minister of State for Municipal Affairs and the ministers of the other four ministries mentioned above. Problem solving is expected to begin within the coming two weeks.

## US envoy

STATE Minister for Foreign Affairs, Saoud Mohammed Al Osaibi, yesterday received US ambassador, Wilson Nathaniel Howell and discussed with him the Gulf war and links between Kuwait and Washington.

# Time is ripe for a solution to Iran-Iraq war: Sheikh Saud

WASHINGTON, May 4. (Kuna): Kuwait's Ambassador to the US, Sheikh Saud Nasser Al Sabah said here yesterday that the time is now ripe for a solution to the eight-year-old Iran-Iraq war and urged the two superpowers to pursue their efforts to bring it to an end.

Sheikh Saud insisted that Iran must declare its readiness to negotiate a final settlement with Iraq in accordance with the principles of UN Security Council resolution 598 of July 20, 1987.

"If Iran does not accept a political settlement and ceasefire, we will continue to urge the Security Council members to adopt a second resolution calling for an arms embargo against any party that refuses to abide by resolution 598," he emphasized.

Sheikh Saud added, "until the Iranians accept a ceasefire, we can only assume that the war will go on...we hope, but we do not expect it to end in the near future."

The Kuwaiti diplomat made these and other comments on the situation in the Gulf and Kuwait's foreign policy at a major appearance before the John Hopkins Foreign Policy Institute of Washington. The in-

stitute was holding a one-day seminar on the "US and Gulf Security." Sheikh Saud made his appearance before foreign policy experts following a morning address by former Secretary of Defense, Caspar Winberger, who was the architect of America's current policy towards the Gulf.

In his two-hour appearance at the seminar, Sheikh Saud also outlined Kuwait's support for the Palestinian uprising in the occupied territories.

"We are gratified by the Palestinian uprising," he told his expert American audience, adding that Kuwait will continue to support it until achievement of national rights.

The ambassador said a solution to the Iran-Iraq war is directly related to the Arab-Israeli conflict. Israel, he said, is the common denominator because of its supply of arms to Iran. "The continuation of the war, obviously, is in Israel's interest," he said.

In reply to questions, Sheikh Saud emphasized repeatedly that Iraq has declared its conditional readiness to implement resolution 598, which remains the only venue for a solution of the con-

flict. But he refused to predict whether the recent Iraqi liberation of Faw would force Iran to agree to the negotiating table or would make it more militant and hardline.

"But we believe the time is ripe for a solution. Most countries are tired and frustrated. People of the region want a solution and we urge the superpowers to tangibly support an end to the war," Sheikh Saud said.

The ambassador, noting Kuwait's support for a multinational approach to the conflict, lauded the presence of naval forces from Europe, the Soviet Union, and the United States aimed at guaranteeing the freedom of navigation in international waters.

But in reply to another question, Sheikh Saud stressed the fact that the US presence in the Gulf is "a US decision aimed at protecting the interests of the United States. It happens that, in this case, these interests and ours coincide."

Answering another question, the Kuwaiti diplomat made it clear that Kuwait and the other Gulf states consider the protection of their own

territories as their sole responsibility and not that of any power in the world.

But the ambassador acknowledged that the Gulf states appreciate the support they get in supply of arms, training and equipment from friendly countries, including the US.

He reminded his American audience, however, of the difficulties involved for any Arab country to get arms passed through the US Congress. This has dissuaded many Gulf countries from seeking arms from the US, Sheikh Saud said.

Asked by one questioner how long he envisages US and other Western naval forces might stay in the Gulf, the Ambassador commented, "it all depends on Iran's future attitude and intentions..."

"We had always lived peacefully with Iran...but if Iran wants to extend its hegemony over the region, we, as Gulf states, have to think about it and deal with it."

"Obviously, the US will do what is in its own interest. We are engaged in a limited activity with the US it could deter Iran, but no one can be sure about Iran's future actions..." Sheikh Saud concluded.

## Artistic fair opens

KUWAIT'S Education and Acting Higher Education Minister Anwar Al Nouri, yesterday inaugurated the Ninth General Artistic Fair - organised by Kuwait's Public Authority for Applied Education and Training which took place at the theatre of Basic Education Faculty at Al Shamiyah.

Following the inauguration ceremony, the Minister, Al Nouri, who is also chairman of the authority, toured the fair pavilions and expressed his appreciation towards the organizing committee and commended them for their efforts.

The opening ceremony was attended by the Director General of the Authority, Dr Abdurrahman Al Muhallan, the Dean of the student affairs Authority, and other officials of the Authority.

Dr Al Muhallan, speaking at the ceremony, praised the activities of the students in various fields which reflected the past and current progress of Kuwait. He also praised some artistic works which reflected the current Palestinian uprising. Dr Al Muhallan concluded by thanking the students and the Authority's officials for their efforts towards the successful organizing of the fair.

## ROYAL COURT

### Crown Prince audiences

H.H. the Crown Prince and Prime Minister Sheikh Saad Al Al-Jaber yesterday received in audience the Defence Minister, Sheikh Nasser Al Ahmed, the State Minister for Municipal Affairs, Mohammed Abdul Mohsen Al Rifai, Ahmad Governor, Sheikh Ali Sabah Al Sabah and the Secretary General of the Council of Ministers, Abdul Wahid Otibi.

Later Sheikh Saad received Fatah representative in Kuwait and the Gulf region Salim Al Zanoon and head of the PLO Kuwait office Aouni Balhass.

The Crown Prince also presided over a meeting of the country's Supreme Defence Council.

## KUWAIT PRESS DIGEST

### Inter-Palestinian fighting

TWO Kuwaiti newspapers yesterday voiced regret over the inter-Palestinian fighting in Beirut, at a time when the Palestinians in the occupied territories are launching an unabated uprising against Israeli occupation.

Al Watan said the fighting in Beirut-based Chatilla and Bourj Al Barajneh refugee camps provided an invaluable cover for the Israelis to invade the southern part of the country and even transcend it.

Those belligerents, said the paper, do not watch the uprising carefully, nor do they learn its lessons, the paper bitterly commented.

Al Rai Al Aam said those who fabricated reasons for eruption of the conflict certainly have nothing to do with the PLO or Fatah, they are one of the results of the Lebanese war.

The newspaper described the fighting as "golden chance" for Israel to sweep southern Lebanon again and to try to open a hole in the Palestinian wall of steadfastness.

### Balance of power changed

ANOTHER local daily, commenting on the present uprising of the Palestinian people said that it has exposed Israel's moral turpitude in such a telling manner that Zionists everywhere are in a state of panic.

Al Anbaa, said that the uprising managed to change the balance of power in the Arab-Israeli conflict, as it is taking place for the first time in Palestine itself and not around it.

The paper added that the uprising is a direct conflict between the Palestinian people and the occupation authorities.

"For the first time the battle is not being carried out on the borders, or in the mountains, or even between the occupation and the Arab states, yet it is between the rightful owners and the Zionist entity," the paper added.

The paper concluded by saying that the strong throwing revolution restored the Palestinians confidence in achieving victory, and forced the Zionist entity and its allies to reprogramme their plots.

## Experts losing battle against Gulf war pollution

BAHRAIN, May 4. (Reuters): The battle to beat pollution of the Gulf caused by the actions of the combatants in the Iran-Iraq war is being lost, experts say.

Balls of tar roll up on the beaches and "we can't do anything," one expert said.

He said "we can't do anything without the monitoring coordination of every state and this is not possible in the North and East because of the war."

Nobody has been able to pinpoint where the tar balls come from, but in recent weeks they have plastered the coasts of Saudi Arabia, Bahrain and Qatar.

Experts see little point in cleaning up the mess until they stop coming ashore.

"The fact that the oil is not fresh and there have been no major spills on this (western) side of the Gulf, indicates it was probably carried hundreds of miles from Iran," one Arab oil expert said.

Experts think the oil probably comes from war-damaged Iranian tankers or facilities — such as the leaking Rostam oil platform which the US Navy attacked last October.

Iraq also blasted Iran's main Kharg Island terminal in the central Gulf in March, where one tanker was loaded with 200,000 tonnes of oil.

Gulf shipping sources said

pipes and storage tanks may also have been damaged.

Experts say oil pollution in the Gulf is 47 times greater than average.

Marine life is in grave danger because the 1,000 kms (600 miles) of waterway is shallow and virtually landlocked — from the disputed Iran-Iraq border in the north to the southern tip of the Arabian Peninsula.

Lack of information from Iran is just one problem. "There is not enough cooperation even between friendly states on the western side of the Gulf," an expert said.

In 1978, seven Gulf states — prodded by the United Nations and including combatants Iran and Iraq — set up the Regional Organisation for the Protection of the Marine Environment (Rompe).

Five years later, after a massive spill from Iran's Nowruz oil platform, Rompe set up an off-shoot, the Marine Emergency Mutual Aid Centre (Memac), to coordinate action by the states.

Yet five of the eight Rompe members, hit by falling oil revenues have yet to pay initial budget contributions.

They owe two million Kuwaiti dinars (7.3 million dollars), experts said.

"Some member states have not completed their own emer-

gency contingency plans. Until they do, we can't go on to the next step, which is to form a regional plan," one expert said.

"Many research projects had to stop half-way because of lack of funds and political considerations," he said.

Khalid Fakhro, vice-chairman of Bahrain's environmental protection directorate and a former head of Memac, said "we are very keen to join regional organisations but we are not ready to develop the support institutions to cope with implementing required obligations."

"This makes us weak. We tend to act only in a real crisis."

More successful has been an organisation of oil companies in the seven Gulf Arab states, set up to fight major oil spills.

Experts say the Gulf area oil companies mutual aid organisation (Gaoomao), has shown itself able to cope with emergencies.

Pool

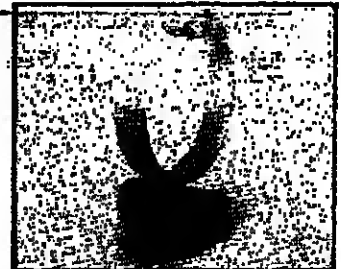
It comprises fourteen oil companies who keep a 24-hour pollution-watch. The companies pool manpower and equipment whenever required.

"We have authorisation on behalf of the companies concerned to act quickly and without any paperwork," said Derek Brown, Gaoomao's Bahrain-based vice-chairman. "We can move men and material back and forth easily."



Secondary schools final examinations for this academic year started yesterday. Undersecretary of the Kuwait's Education Ministry, Abdul Rahman Al Khudari, told reporters that 93,949 students in government schools and 13,369 in private schools are taking the exams which will last until next Wednesday. Some of the students are seen taking the exam.

## Pajero wins award



Picture shows 'Auto Zeitung' 88 Auto Oscar Award.

THE Auto Zeitung of West Germany has selected the Mitsubishi Pajero as the "best free-time and multipurpose car" from among 12 Auto-Oscar choices. Participating in its Auto-Oscar '88 selections were 84,264 readers and 70 journalists who picked the Pajero as the top vehicle out of nine competitors in the RV category.

Elsewhere in Europe, the readers of the Austrian 4WD magazine "Selbstfahren Interbus" chose the Pajero as the "44 of the year."

## Science club marks return of plane, hostages

TO mark the return of the hijacked plane and the hostages, the Kuwait Science Club held a celebration which was attended by the Club's Board of Directors.

The celebration opened with recitals from the Holy Quran followed by a speech by the director of the club's head office Amir Ahmed Ali condemning the hijacking. He praised the Kuwaiti government for its unwavering stand to the demands of the hijackers and stated that this was reflected in the convictions

of the citizens. The director of public relations at the club, Abdullah Al Misbah, stated that the recent hijacking was meant to blackmail and pose a challenge to Kuwait. However, the attempts of the hijacker's to get the government of Kuwait, its people and its convictions to compromise, completely failed due to the virtue of unity of its people. Al Misbah also praised the Palestinian uprising in the Israeli occupied territories.

## Awadi for Geneva

KUWAITI Planning Minister, Dr Abdel Rahman Al Awadi left yesterday for Geneva to take part in the festivals of the World Health Organisation on the 10th anniversary of WHO charter.

Dr Awadi is representing the East Mediterranean region in the festivals.

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## Table Talk

BY DINAH

SINCE I began reviewing Kuwait's restaurants a year ago, I've often wondered what would happen if the staff of a restaurant I was visiting realised that I was doing. I'd always figured that it would make little difference — the service might become over-weeningly ingratiating, but bad cooks couldn't suddenly turn into good cooks and the prices and atmosphere are constants. I was proved wrong when I went to review Araliya, a new Sri Lankan restaurant located in a side street adjacent to the

# Nice food, shame about the bill

Salhih complex. It seems that someone who knew who I was whispered a word in the owner's ear with the result that our bill for a wonderful two course meal came to an absurd KD3.800.

At such prices we couldn't resist returning the following night, instead of cooking at home. This time the owner wasn't around and so, unrecognised, we ordered a similar but smaller, one course meal. The food was equally excellent, but we were aghast to find that the bill came to KD6.500. Prices on the menu at the Araliya range from 100 fils to KD1.500, but this is very deceptive, for it seems that unless you order an item, you are automatically served a double portion and the price is also doubled. On the first evening we ordered String Hopper Biryani which came to only 800 fils, as listed. On our second visit the same dish, identical in size, cost KD1.600. Two coffees cost 500 fils on the first visit, as listed in the menu, but on the second night we had to

pay 100 fils more. Potato curry is listed in the menu at only 250 fils, but on our second visit we were charged 900 fils — even if the price had been double for "double portions" the mathematics were definitely suspect. So if you go to eat at the Araliya, question the meaning of the prices on the menu when you order and then check your bill very carefully at the end of the meal.

### Prices

It really was a pity that this deception over prices took place, as otherwise I would have ranked the Araliya as among the best restaurants in town. With subtle lighting, gentle music and pastel decor, the Araliya has a very soothing atmosphere. The tables are covered with peach coloured linen cloths and the seats with a delicate floral design. Tasteful wooden, brass and batik wall hangings have been carefully chosen as have the elegant crockery and glassware. Mirrors are cleverly used to

give a feeling of space, while pillars and screens create lots of private corners to eat.

The service on both evenings was excellent — charming, courteous attentive and smooth. Food takes about twenty minutes to arrive which is not long when one discovers the quality. Do try the String Hopper Biryani if you go there. Made from rice flour, hoppers look like very fine noodles but are much lighter in texture even than rice. Subtly flavoured with spices and containing a generous portion of tender mutton pieces, the Biryani could have made a meal in itself. In fact we needn't have ordered the equally delicious Pilau rice at all except that aromatic with whole spices and peppercorns, it made the perfect foil for the Prawn Curry — tiny shrimps cooked in their shells in a rich and delicate coconut sauce. The potato and spinach curry was equally understated in flavour. For those of you who think Indian cuisine would be perfect without the chillies, the Araliya is

the place to go. The fried sprats were a tasty dish of crunchy, slightly salty fish and sweet onions and cucumber strips. The only really hot dish we ordered was coconut sambalan, an appetising blend of grated coconut and chilli. Tiny crunchy popadoms were provided at no extra cost as was a sweet home made mango chutney.

For dessert we tried a Sri Lankan dish — Watalappan. It's a close relative of creme caramel but much richer, being made from coconut milk seasoned with spices and topped with raisins. We ended the meal with Sri Lankan coffee. The Araliya also provides a take out service and catering for parties. On Sundays and Fridays there is a special buffet.

**RESTAURANT:** Araliya  
**TYPE:** Sri Lankan  
**MEAL:** Two course dinner  
**Star rating out of five:**  
**FOOD:** ★★★★★  
**ATMOSPHERE:** ★★★★★  
**SERVICE:** ★★★★★  
**VALUE FOR MONEY:** ?

## WHAT'S ON

### ARTS

#### Iwan Gallery

An exhibition of paintings by Iraqi artist Saa'di Abbas is open daily from 10 am to 1 pm and 8 to 11 pm at the gallery in the Zahra complex, Salmiya.

#### Sultan Gallery

"The Islamic Heritage of Spain" is open daily from 10 am to 1 pm and 7 to 10 pm at the Sultan Gallery, Thunayan Al Ghanim Bldg, Al Soor St.

### THEATRE

#### Konkani drama

The Colva Dramatic Troupe will present a Konkani drama entitled "Mujem Dusrem Ghor" on May 20, 4 pm, at the Indian Arts Circle, Fudaites. The play has been written by Rosary Fernandes. Performers include Meodes brothers, Cujetan Sanvordem, Marcus Vaz, Xavier Gomes and Agostinho Rebello. For tickets contact Colva committee members.

#### Natya Bharati

Natya Bharati, a group of Indian amateur dramatists, will present a Hindi play, Undersecretary, a comedy, on May 18, 7 pm, at the Indian Arts Circle auditorium.

#### Kuwait Singers

"Songs for a Summer Evening" is the title of a concert by the Singers. It will be held on May 31 and June 1 at the U.A.S. Salwa. Tickets — KD 2. For reservations ring 3940770 ext. 57; 5384873; 5740627 (answering service).

#### Kuwait Players

Antidote — a Kuwait Players show of quick fire adult comedy sketches ranging from the subtle to the plain crazy, will be held from May 11 to 15, 7.30 pm, at the Universal American School, Salwa. Tickets — KD 3. For reservations call 5613465; 5610925 (pm) or 5611546 (pm).

#### I Got Rhythm

A musical show featuring Reem Yousef Kelani will be presented in the Grand Ballroom, Regency Palace hotel, on June 2, Thursday. Tickets — KD 10 (including dinner). Produced and directed

by Glenis Muckle and Kerry Langley. All proceeds will be donated to the British charity Medical Aid for Palestinians to help Dr Pauline Cutting, OBE, and her team, to provide medical care for refugees. For details call 2627003.

### SPORTS

#### Young Goans Association

Seven-a-side football tournament on May 17, Al Sour Ground. Draw on same day at 7.30 am. Tournament begins at 7.45 am. For details contact Almeida on 4813740.

#### Kuwait Nomads Rugby Club

May Calendar: Thursday, May 5: Game at Fintas. Meo vs Women plus kids. Game followed by BBQ. KD 2.500 per head. Tuesday, May 10, club annual general meeting at Gazelle Club, 7.30 pm.

### SOCIAL

#### Summer Affair 88

The Weekend Club will host Summer Affair 88, at the Regency Palace hotel on the first day of Eid Al Fitr. Music

by Nefix of Kin, Top Ranks and Apaches. A talent contest with lots of surprises and prizes. The show will be compered by David Burfoot and Julio Cardozo. Dinner features Indian and Continental cuisine. For reservations call Raven — 4714518; Mercedes 4890566; Carmello — 4835488/232.

#### YMCA Holiday Special

The Young Men Cricket Association (YMCA) will hold the Holiday Special on May 17, Messiah Beach Hotel. Highlights are music by Top Ranks with special competitions such as Made for Each Other Contest, Funky King and Queen. For reservations contact Lancy — 4814914, 9 am to 4 pm, 3981790; 3929518, 5 to 8 pm.

### HOTELS

#### At the Hilton

Break your fast with family and friends in La Palma, open daily from sunset to 1.30 am. La Palma offers light buffet with thirst quenching drinkings and Ramadan specials. A special a la carte menu is offered from 11.30 to 1.30 pm. Entertain friends or



Amitabh Bachchan stars in Shahenshah

### CINEMA

**Al Andalus**  
Let's Get Harry  
Starring: Mark Harmon, Robert Duvall

**Al Sahiyya**  
Brazil  
Starring: Jonathan Price, Robert Di Nero

**Al Hamra**  
Prey for Death

**Drive-In**  
Bustan Al Dam (Arabic)  
Starring: Adel Adham, Yusra

**Al Firdous**  
Shahenshah (Hindi)  
Starring: Amitabh Bachchan, Meenakshi

**Fahadhel Open-Air**  
Jaani Hatheli Pe (Hindi)

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Dharma Amar (Bengali)

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**Salabikhat**  
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Dard (Hindi)

## TELEVISION PROGRAMMES

### KTV 1

10.00 Holy Quran  
10.15 Cartoons  
10.30 Mama Anisa and Children  
11.10 Open University  
12.05 Noor Al Huda: "Al Safaah". Starring: Hussain Abideen, Amina Rizk, Abu Bakr Ezzat, Liala Taher, Ibrahim Al Shaumi.

1.00 News Summary  
1.30 Tao Tao: cartoons  
2.00 Jaroo: historical serial; with Zuhair Numani, Lena Al Naqi

3.00 Dukkan Al Duniya: daily serial, starring Muna Wasef, Mohammad Al Ibad, Jayana Eid

4.45 Tazawwaj Wa Ibtisam: Arabic serial; starring Samir Ghanem, Raghad, Ahmad Badr, Suad Nasar

5.30 Hadith Deeni: religious talk  
6.30 Cartoons  
6.45 After Ifhar

7.00 Madinat Al Riyah: children's serial, starring Khalid Al Obaid, Abdul Rahman Al Aqal

7.45 Bahath Al Saada: weekly Arabic, featuring Samir Ghanem

8.15 With Islam  
9.30 Ramadan Contest: hosted by Huda Hussein

10.00 News in Arabic  
11.00 Al Iz'aj: daily serial, starring Ghanem Al Saleh, Zainab Dahi, Maryam Ghabdan

12.45 Al Amlaq: Arabic film, starring Adel Adham, Raghad, Saleh Saadani, Susanne Badr. Two prisoners allowed to visit their family escape from police custody while returning to the jail. Directed by Ahmad Al Sab'awi

2.45 News Summary/Imask/ Holy Quran/ Closedown

**FRIDAY**  
10.00 Holy Quran  
10.10 Cartoons  
10.30 Children's Magazine

8.00 Holy Quran  
8.10 Centurions cartoons  
8.30 The Mickey Mouse Club

11.30 The Beauty and the Beast: a plot to murder an Irish politician is foiled.  
11.30 227: Mary and her friends go into business — and it thrives, until...

12.00 Guinness Records: world records are set by daring men and women in mountain climbing, skating and sleight of hand games.

10.30 The Wiseguy: a dangerous underworld boss is exposed by the undercover agents. Starring: Ken Wahl.

1.30 News Summary  
1.40 Magazine D'Actualite Closedown

There is comedy with Mary and her friends in 227, Friday at 11.30 pm, KTV-2



The story of a lion and a duck will be told in the Mickey Mouse Club, tonight at 8.30 pm on KTV-2

11.00 Hadith: religious programme, presented by Dr Ahmadi Abul Noor

11.25 Friday Prayer from Great Mosque

12.20 Min Wah! Abi Dulamah: religious serial

1.00 News Summary  
1.25 Tao Tao: cartoons  
2.00 On Ramadan: religious programme

2.30 Al Maotimid Bin Ibad: historical serial

3.35 Dukkan Al Duniya: daily serial

5.30 Hadith Deeni: religious talk, by Sheikh Mohammad Al-Muwahhidi

6.35 Cartoons  
6.45 After Ifhar

7.00 Madinat Al Riyah: children's serial

7.45 Kul Funnun: hosted by Roha Al Farah

8.15 Wrestling  
9.00 Deirat Al Khair: Charity

9.30 Ramadan Contest  
10.00 News in Arabic  
11.00 A talk show on Islam

12.00 Anaba: Uroohak: Arabic play, starring Hamdi Ahmad, Samah Anwar, Suad Hussein, Mazhar Abu Al Nahi. The story of a girl who waits to marry after the death of her first husband.

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## RADIO PROGRAMMES

### BBC World Services

#### Thursday.....

0600 World News  
09 News about Britain  
15 Radio Newsworld  
30 King Street Junior (ex 26th Two Cheers for May)  
0100 News Summary followed by Outlook  
30 Waveguide  
40 Book Choice  
45 Society Today  
0200 World News  
09 News about Britain  
15 The World Today  
30 Can Communism Come? (ex 26th Five Cops to Cocaine)  
0400 Newsdesk  
30 Classical Record Review (ex 26th Sportsworld)  
45 Reflections  
50 Financial News  
0500 World News  
09 Twenty-Four Hours: News Summary  
30 People's Choice  
45 The World Today  
0600 Newsdesk  
30 Irving Berlin and Friends  
40 The Furling World  
0700 World News  
09 Twenty-Four Hours: News Summary  
30 Andy Kershaw's World of Music  
45 Network UK  
0800 World News  
09 Reflections  
15 Country Style (ex 26th Sportsworld)  
30 John Peel  
0900 World News  
19 British Press Review  
15 The World Today  
30 Financial News followed by Sports Roundup  
45 Society Today  
1000 News Summary followed by King Street (ex 26th Two Cheers for May)  
1100 World News  
09 News about Britain  
15 New Ideas  
25 A Letter from England  
30 Citizens  
1200 Radio Newsworld  
15 Multitrack 2  
45 Sports Roundup  
1300 World News  
Twenty-Four Hours: News Summary  
30 John Peel  
45 5th and 19th Jazz Scene UK: 12th and 26th Folk in Britain  
1400 Outlook, opening with 5-Minute News  
45 Tric On  
1500 Radio Newsworld  
15 The Pleasure's Yours  
1600 World News  
09 Commentary  
15 Assignment  
30 The World Today  
1700 World News  
09 A Letter from England  
15 Citizens  
45 Sports Roundup  
1800 Newsdesk  
30 Discovery  
1900 Outlook, opening with News summary  
39 Stock Market Report  
45 Here's Humph  
2000 World News  
09 Twenty-Four Hours: News Summary  
30 Meridian  
2100 News Summary followed by Talking From...  
15 A Jolly Good Show

2200 World News  
09 The World Today  
25 A Letter from England  
30 Financial News  
40 Reflections  
45 Sports Roundup  
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45 Tric On  
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15 The Pleasure's Yours  
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45 Sports Roundup  
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# ARAB TIMES

## Thought for today

ANYONE can sympathise with the suffering of a friend, but it requires a very fine nature to sympathise with a friend's success — Oscar Wilde, Irish-born writer (1854-1900).

## OPINION

### Iran's foolish statements

WHAT do we expect Iran to say about the Gulf states and the Arabian peninsula? What would you expect to hear about the peoples of this region, their rulers and the political and economic issues from Iran's media campaign?

The Iranian war has been with us since Khomeini declared that he was bringing the revolution to us. He declared this openly and it has been repeated by his media.

For eight years he has attempted to export his failed revolution to Iraq and when it has knocked at Baghdad's doors, the answer has always been painful.

After all of this do we still expect Iran to welcome us with beautiful songs? Iran has been making ridiculous statements about Kuwait, its people and rulers. Iran also scolds Saudi Arabia with absurdities, claiming that the British were sent to Makkah by the Saudis.

The Iranian statements about the Gulf are really getting to be just a bit too much.

Iran's verbal assaults extend to other Islamic and non-Islamic countries. For example, Iran goes so far as to say that if the US attacks them, countries who "love" Iran will take revenge against American interests.

We would like the name of just one or two of these countries who love Iran. Excluding the countries Iran has bought, we'd like to know the countries that love Iran; a country that has brought terrorism to the world, damaging international trade.

Iran has lost all feelings of shame and will dare to say anything.

What is truly unfortunate is that Iran uses the Holy Book, the Quran and the teachings of Islam as a passage to the world.

The people of this region can expect to hear more of Iran's foolish statements. But we must always remember that they are without meaning.

Ahmed Al Jarallah

### Reagan support 'can't save Meese'

By Gene Gibbons

WASHINGTON, (Reuters): Senior Republicans say time is running out for Attorney General Edwin Meese, under public pressure to resign over financial and other dealings, despite President Reagan's unwavering support for his friend and adviser of 20 years.

Some Republicans are worried about adverse effects in the Nov 8 presidential election if Meese is still heading the Justice Department when the nation votes.

If it is not resolved, the Meese controversy could dog Vice-President George Bush as he strives to keep the presidency in Republican hands.

"Ed Meese can't survive," said a former top White House official who asked not to be identified. "The Democrats will have a field day in the presidential election campaign if Meese stays on."

A Republican congressional figure added: "Meese is a liability. The turmoil at the Justice Department reflects badly on our ability to claim we're dealing effectively with issues like drugs and crime."

#### Ignored

Not everyone is so sure. Meese has ignored calls for his resignation and Reagan has a strong record of supporting loyal aides through thick and thin. Associates say Reagan feels deep sympathy for Meese over the loss of his son Scott, killed in a car accident a few years ago.

Special prosecutor James McKay is probing Meese's official and financial dealings. Some Republicans believe Meese will quit following publication of McKay's report, which is likely to criticise the attorney general's ethics but to say there are no grounds for a criminal indictment.

His investigation has focused on what role, if any, Meese played in efforts by the scandal-plagued Wedtech Corp to obtain federal contracts and what role he may have played in a controversial Iraqi oil pipeline deal.

#### Troubles

Meese's legal troubles have led at least 10 justice officials to quit in recent weeks, department sources say.

Justice Department spokesman Patrick Korten said Meese intended to remain in office to end of Reagan's term but some department officials agree with the prevailing view in

Republican circles that he will go, possibly next month.

"He will not go voluntarily. It will take a campaign to push him out," said one senior department official.

Calls for Meese's head during his three years as attorney general have been fanned by investigations into his personal financial relationships and repeated questioning of his ethics and his professional competence.

The controversy is now considered so sensitive that White House aides have been instructed not to discuss it.

Before the gag order was issued, however, one member of the president's team said it was "conventional wisdom" that Meese would depart by midsummer, possibly for a high-paying corporate job arranged by Reagan's wealthy California friends.

#### Convicted

Senate Democratic leader Robert Byrd has described Meese, who denies any wrongdoing, as "the crown jewel of the sleaze factor." Democrats coined the term "sleaze factor" to refer to charges of corruption that have plagued the Reagan administration since the President took power in 1981.

Dozens of Reagan aides have been investigated on ethics or corruption charges and several have been convicted, including ex-White House aides Michael Deaver and Lyn Nofziger.

Last Wednesday, Reagan denied a published report that a group of his closest friends and advisers, including his wife, were running a "dump Meese" campaign.

Asked if he could ever support such a campaign, Reagan firmly replied: "No."

Asked if there were any circumstances under which he might ask Meese to resign, the President said with a smile: "Only if he had a complete change of character."

Republican sources said Reagan believes his political enemies are persecuting Meese as a way of attacking him.

Reagan has fired only two subordinates — Secretary of State Alexander Haig and Marine Lieutenant Colonel Oliver North, a key figure in the Iran-Contra scandal.

But he acquiesced in the forced removal of former White House Chief of Staff Donald Regan, Interior Secretary James Watt and former National Security Adviser Richard Allen.

### A bad decision

SIR: The decision of Air-India to withdraw discounts on air tickets is unfortunate indeed. This decision suggests shortsightedness as well as poor marketing acumen of Air-India management in Kuwait.

Indian expatriates in Kuwait will fly Air-India if the fares are reasonable. Indian expatriates here can ill afford to spare an extra Rs.3000 per ticket because of their declining income.

To assume that even the staunchest of Air-India supporters would disregard a price differential of about Rs.3000 per ticket and fly Air-India would be preposterous indeed. The discontinuation of discount will cause exodus of potential Air-India passengers to other airlines which offer attractive fares and lucrative in-flight services. This will hit hard the windfall Air-India dreamt it could accrue from the fare hike.

Air-India can actually make good profits, if it reduces the price of its ticket to levels below those of its competitors and continues to improve the quality of in-flight and other services.

Dr Nandakumar Moorkath, Safat.

### Profit motive

SIR: Air-India has discontinued discounts on tickets to its passengers from Kuwait to India at a time when most people travel due to school vacations.

Travellers planned their trips more than eight months ago and accordingly made their bookings. All the flights between May and September are fully booked and even extra flights have to be started to carry excess passengers.

It is difficult either to cancel going on vacation to India or to get seats on other airlines. We cannot afford to pay the high cost of tickets. When it comes to a family of four or five persons, the extra fare will be unaffordable to many.

Air-India took the decision to raise fares when Kuwait Airways had suspended flights to non-Arab Asian countries. This decision has profit motive and nothing else.

The Gulf Indians prefer to travel by Air-India mainly because it is their national carrier.

The best way to bring Air-India to its senses is to boycott it if it does not reverse its decision.

P. Peethambaran, Jahra.

### Discount racketeering

SIR: Every year with the onset of summer in Kuwait begins the exodus of travellers and discount racketeering by the airlines.

This year Air-India has taken the lead. Soon after the cancellation of KAC flights to Asian capitals, Air-India grabbed the opportunity and announced withdrawal of discounts to passengers travelling to India from May 1.

Air-India has created unnecessary panic and confusion to the public by first reversing their decision to withdraw discounts and then bringing up the issue again which remains unsettled until now. When enquired about this, the stock replies are that it is a management decision of government directive and so on.

Whatever the truth, the proposed application of IATA full fare is certainly a bolt from the blue. It is going to cause great hardship to thousands of passengers to India and shatter their holiday plans this year.

It seems that some other airlines are also waiting to join the fray and plunder the passengers' hard-earned money.

I hope the concerned authorities will intervene in the matter and save the defenceless passengers from this unscrupulous

discount racketeering once and for all.

A victim,  
(Name and address supplied).

### Seeking donation

SIR: The trustees of the Sri Lankan Children's Fund seek funds to support children's homes in Sri Lanka that are dependent on charity.

The SLCHF is a UK-registered charitable organisation established to raise funds for the homes in Sri Lanka. The charity has no political affiliations, and is administered and run entirely by volunteers from various religious and faiths. The fund has no paid staff at all.

The charity supports six homes in Sri Lanka providing refuge and accommodation for about 800 children. The homes vary from a refuge for homeless and unprotected girls at Watala, and a disabled and mentally distorted children's home at Hendala and Kotte, to a home and refuge for orphans and homeless children at Pita Kotte. The crippled children's home near Colombo and the home at Negombo care for some blind and severely disabled children.

These homes provide moral caring, help and support for many children suffering real

hardship, often from a situation of distress and desperation.

Gerald Gannaway,  
Chairman of the Trustees,  
Sri Lankan Children's Fund,  
51 Broad Walk,  
Knowle Park,  
Bristol, BS4 2RD,  
England.

### Ania deserves praise

SIR: I wish to comment on the attitude of Keith Wells towards Ania Majewska in the article "Dancing with delight" (AT, April 27).

He complimented me. I thank him, and am flattered. After dancing with Ania for several years I have found her to be one of the best dancers I know. Technically, I think she by far excels me, which perhaps, a non-dancer could not see on stage. No one in our company would argue that she isn't a fantastic dancer.

Maybe the advice Keith Wells gave has some truth, but it is necessary for him to publicise it? After working so hard she deserves more praise than this. We are not professionals, nor adults, and I don't think that after the effort Ania put in, she should be criticised to that extent.

Being in a production such as



the recent one is much more demanding and hard than being on stage in our glossy and brilliant costumes. Even to get the smallest part, one has to work for years. No one seems to realise the effort put in by performers.

Nadia Dabbagh,  
Safat.

### Falcon Crest

SIR: I like to know the reason why KTV-2 is not showing the most interesting serial Falcon Crest. There are many TV viewers who want to see Falcon Crest.

Saima Rizvi,  
Safat.

ALL letters to the Editor must contain the writer's name and address. Publication is at the discretion of the Editor and letters are subject to the editing process for space or other reasons.

### Anti-apartheid papers struggle in S. Africa

By Rich Mkhondo

JOHANNESBURG, (Reuters): Gabu Tugwana, acting editor of the New Nation, surveys a newsroom where journalists labour to produce a paper that only they will read.

This scene has been played out daily since March 22, when the South African government gagged the anti-apartheid paper with a renewable three-month ban.

"We still produce a mock paper for our staff and stockpile stories for June 10 when we finally hit the streets," Tugwana added.

Tugwana remains defiant although the paper's editor Zwelakhe Sisulu is in jail — detained without charges under emergency regulations — and the publication ban could be extended for further three-month periods until the New Nation's Roman Catholic church backers can no longer subsidise it.

"We will not stop fighting, we will not stop protesting against Pretoria's unjust practices. The closure of the paper would not be the first attack on basic democratic freedoms — nor would it be the last," Tugwana said.

Meanwhile bored reporters wonder about their futures as they fill in the time in their rundown offices.

The newsrooms of every outspoken anti-government newspaper in South Africa may soon look like this as the government presses home its attack on the non-commercial "alternative press" using the tough emergency regulations announced last August.

The alternative press, largely backed by community organisations and anti-apartheid groups including churches, see their duty as reporting the facts which the commercial papers are too cautious to print.

The government has already issued warnings to the Weekly Mail, to South, a Cape Town-based weekly, to the top-selling black daily the Sowetan and six other publications.

The Sowetan, though run by and aimed at blacks, is a commercial paper owned by white big business. The reasons for its warning are not clear.

According to Tugwana, the government is using three-month bans to disguise the fact it is shutting the newspapers down for ever. "But that is what they mean

to do," he said.

The New Nation used to sell about 60,000 copies a week and had a much wider readership.

Tugwana said he had received thousands of letters from concerned readers and had scores of sympathetic visitors.

Last week two members of West Germany's Greens Party dropped in for a 45-minute meeting with Tugwana, after which they praised the paper as the true voice of voteless blacks.

"What is it about the New Nation that irritates the South African government? I guess it must be its stand against apartheid," said Greens member of Parliament Willi Hoss.

Pretoria has praised "the commercial press" — papers owned as profit-making ventures by businesses — saying there has been a reduction in reporting that could promote a revolutionary climate, one of the grounds on which the government can close a newspaper under the emergency regulations.

But Charles Villa-Vicencio, chairman of the trustees of South newspaper, said the commercial press could be next to lie after the government is finished with the alternative press.

Meanwhile, Home Affairs Minister Stoffel Botha last week warned the Weekly Mail it could be next in line to be shut for three months under the government's press curbs.

Weekly Mail associate editor Irwin Manoin said in an article on Thursday that for his paper the three-month suspension is the same as a death sentence. The paper does not have the same backing as the New Nation.

#### Death

"Suspension will indeed mean death — commercial death. And the minister will be free to say his hands are clean, he did not close us," Manoin said.

Manoin said supporters of the alternative press formed a committee last month to fight for their survival.

"If we are closed down, we won't go unnoticed," he said.

In Cape Town, Rasbid Seria, editor of South, said he expected his newspaper would be closed down this month.

"The minister has given us till the May 4 to argue, but we believe he plans to close us down, most definitely," Seria said.

He said South, with weekly sales of 12,000, would have trouble surviving a three-month closure "but it is true that we are getting a lot of support and pledges of assistance."

### Tamil rebels take to the jungle

By Marilyn Odchimar

VAVUNIYA, Sri Lanka.

(Reuters): Sri Lanka's Tamil Tiger rebels once entertained visitors with sumptuous meals at a Chinese restaurant in the northern city of Jaffna after showing them round bomb-making factories, training camps and fortified bunkers.

But last October Indian troops drove the separatist guerrillas out of the Jaffna peninsula. Now the hospitality offered by the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam (LTTE) is simpler — home-cooked vegetables, meat curry and rice, eaten with the fingers in a jungle hut.

After the Indian offensive the Tigers moved south of the peninsula to regroup in the Vanni, a large area of jungle and ricefields.

"The Vanni is ideal for guerrillas," says a senior LTTE spokesman. "There are probably 1,000 armed guerrillas in the Vanni and about 3,000 to 4,000 members who provide the logistics."

#### Fight

Up to 50,000 soldiers have been sent to Sri Lanka's Northern and Eastern provinces to enforce a pact between Colombo and New Delhi aimed at ending the guerrillas' fight for a separate Tamil homeland.

An estimated 30,000 of the Indians have fanned out in the Vanni, where the Tigers now have their main base.

### 'Brezhnev doctrine is dead'

### Soviets pledge not to interfere in others affairs

By Eric Bourne

VIENNA: "The Brezhnev doctrine is dead! Long live the ...," so proclaimed the Yugoslavs during Mikhail Gorbachev's visit in March.

But is Moscow's old mandate for management of the communist world really dead — and buried? The Soviet leader seemed to be saying something like that — or rather, the Yugoslavs said that was what he was saying.

Reading between the lines, the best answer probably is that this theory, employed by the late Soviet leader Leonid Brezhnev to warrant elimination of the Czechoslovak reform movement in 1968, has been set aside by Gorbachev, at least for the foreseeable future.

Not necessarily for all time, though. Questions inevitably present themselves.

In effect, the Soviets and Yugoslavs issued a declaration that looked like a Soviet pledge not to claim the Soviet Union as a "model" for other communist states, as was done in Joseph Stalin's day and periodically thereafter. It can be interpreted as excluding interference even if a local "model" ran afoul of Soviet ideas of its needs and those of the international movement. But all this was not 100 per cent explicit.

There have been many declarations and agreements on non-interference over the years, first between the Soviets and Yugoslavs in 1955 — when Nikita Khrushchev called off Stalin's feud against Belgrade — and again in 1956. But in 1956, Khrushchev bloodily suppressed a reformist revolt in Hungary and made a bellicose — albeit vain — effort to interfere in Poland.

The Soviets reaffirmed non-interference at all-party conferences in 1957 and 1960 and at their own congress in 1966. Finally, the Warsaw Pact repeated it only a few weeks before its forces marched into Czechoslovakia. It

But the rebels are adopting the classic guerrilla strategy of avoiding direct confrontation.

When the troops moved against the Tigers' base earlier this month, the rebels pulled out. They came back after the Indians left.

"We have not retreated in the jungles. We've just scattered ourselves after Jaffna," said the Tigers' local political commander, Dinesh.

Journalists still meet the rebels in the Vanni. But in the jungle the Tigers can no longer display the public panache of their days in urban Jaffna.

#### Base

The guerrillas' nearest base to an Indian checkpoint is a 25-mile drive along a dirt road that snakes around paddy fields and the butts of poor farmers.

Dinesh, who carries a Luger pistol tucked in his sarong, says the Indian Peacekeeping Force (IPKF) can deploy more sophisticated long-range mortars and helicopters than the Sri Lankan troops. His men confronted before the Colombo-New Delhi pact.

"They can physically round up a place easily unlike the Sri Lankans," he said.

"But only the public is affected. The LTTE is not much affected by the IPKF. For our own safety we don't fight too much. It doesn't mean we don't want to face the IPKF."

A Sri Lankan official said it was difficult to surround the



Tamil rebels display weapons in the northern Vavuniya district of Sri Lanka. (Reuters wirephoto)

rebels in the Vanni.

"You have to approach from all four directions and with at least 200 troops," he said. "You can't easily round up a place because the element of surprise is gone."

The officer added: "The terrorists still have a very, very good radio communications network. But the IPKF has improved over the last month in their road checking and deception planning."



Leonid Brezhnev

was Brezhnev who trotted out the new doctrine in the fall of 1968, when he perceived that the Yugoslavs and the Western parties were not going to let Czechoslovakia be quietly laid aside as an isolated exception.

In short, it was but a new twist to old ideology to reassert the "right" to leadership and authority over the whole communist movement. Other communist states had a duty to intervene — even militarily — if developments in another put the "survival of socialism" at risk.

#### Relaxed

It was not until 1976 that Yugoslav leader Josip Broz Tito and the Eurocommunists finally compelled Brezhnev to accept — in writing — that each communist state is entitled to chart its "road to socialism."

In Belgrade, it was seen as a further Yugoslav victory that Gorbachev pronounced his own rejection of Moscow's "classic" ideological attitudes toward its allies. Any threat, or use, of force and interference in the internal affairs of other states "under any pretext whatsoever" is out, the two parties agreed.

It sounded good and it was in line with the "new thinking" in the Kremlin over the past three years. It underlined Gorbachev's



Mikhail Gorbachev

evident belief in more equality as well as more realism in Soviet ties with allies. The Hungarians and others are testifying that relations now are more relaxed and easier than ever before.

But Gorbachev has not, for example, said that he regards the "use of force" against Prague as a mistake. Most probably he does. But if he were to say so, openly, the present regime could topple tomorrow — and, above all, he is concerned with stability in Eastern Europe.

Steadily growing demands are taking shape for open political reform to go hand in hand with the economic reforms, nowhere more articulately than in Hungary, the pioneer of East-bloc reform.

#### Threatened

Not since the early postwar Stalin years has the "leading role" of communist parties been under challenge both from within and within their own ranks. As in 1956 and 1968 and again in Poland in 1981, the reformers could push too fast, too far.

Would — could — even Gorbachev look placidly on at the emergence of political streams that really threatened the "right" of ultimate policymaking and the maintenance of single-party communist rule?

As it is, he is already very much under Stalinist pressures against reform from high levels of his own party. Such pressures explain his frequent stress on the frontiers of glasnost (openness) — everything is up for discussion, as long as it does not "harm socialism" — or seek to set up alternatives to it.

In Poland, in 1981, martial law — however unpopular — undoubtedly averted the internal chaos that could have left Moscow no option but intervention. Suppose such a situation were to arise again?

Gorbachev obviously hopes such problems will not crop up. Nor should they, as long as he manages to overcome the challenges at home and so long as Soviet-US relations do not fall him down.

As former US national security adviser Zbigniew Brzezinski has pointed out, the Nixon-Brezhnev concept of détente was principally devised to prevent superpower rivalry from getting out of hand. The détente was soured by Afghanistan. Today, Brzezinski is no alone in seeing the renewal in the Gorbachev period as something deeper, in fact, as a unique opportunity for stabilising US-Soviet relations, and East-West relations generally.

The Christian Science Monitor News Service.

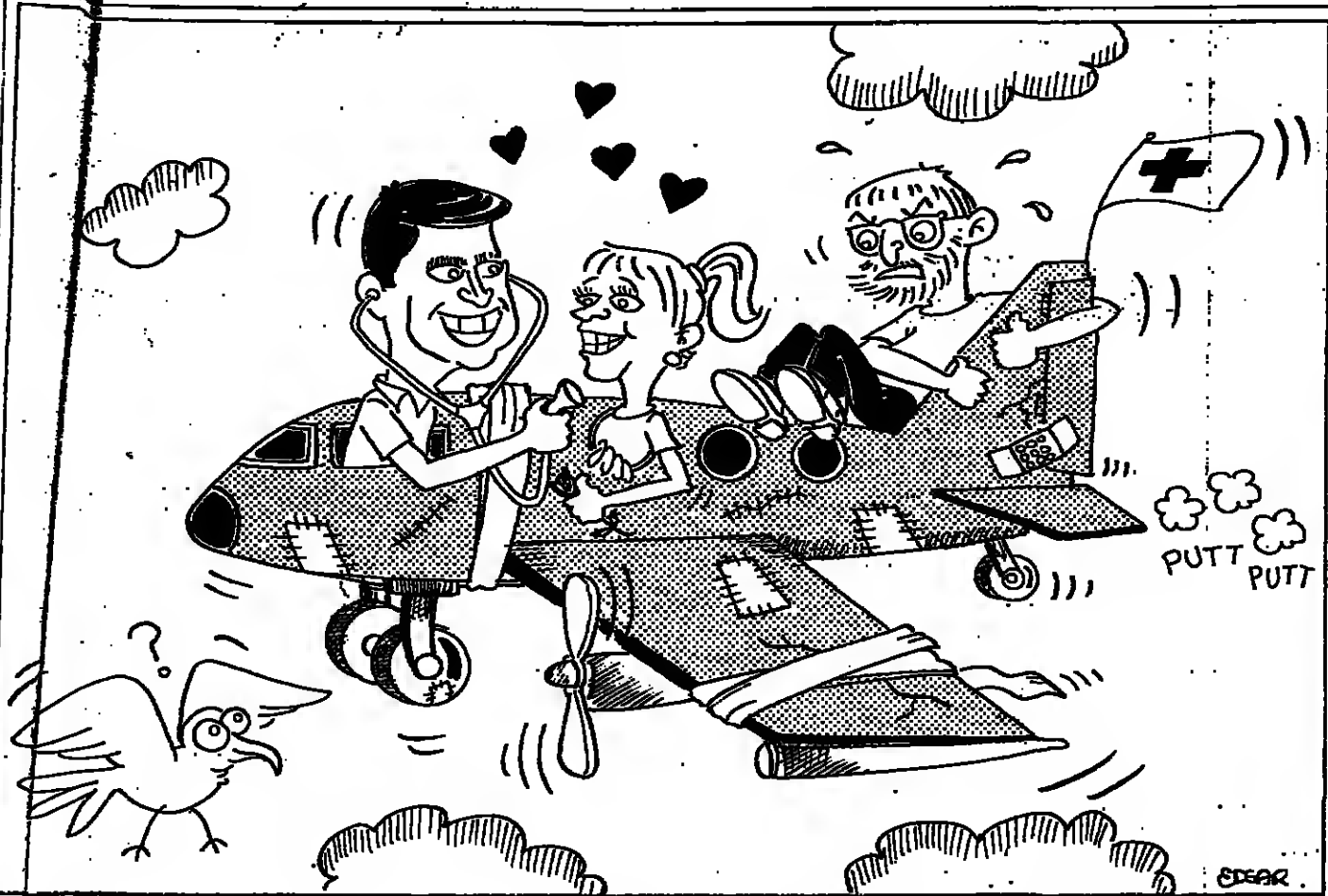
### Gulf Indians act as smugglers

NEW DELHI, May 4, (Kuna): number of Indian workers returning from the Gulf countries are being used for gold smuggling.

This new trend came to light in the past week when custom officials at the Indira Gandhi international airport recovered huge quantities of gold from the workers, who are engaged in various jobs in the Gulf states.

do not start





By Keith Wells

## Shuwaiking with lust

MY wife has fallen in love with another man, the bloody Flying Doctor from that Australian television series where they keep getting lost somewhere like Jahra and dying of thirst. All except the flying sawbones, he just comes zooming down out of the sky like a pelican with a black pouch and a stethoscope hanging out of his back. I just don't know what she's seeing in him.

"He's very clear cut," she told me.

"That's a good idea," I replied. "I know exactly where to put the knife." But she wasn't listening, just gazing goosely at the screen as he flapped his wings and went soaring off to rescue another lunatic who took the wrong turn at Suleibikhat.

Love is strange, she seems to think it's perfectly natural to fall for a pale parrot with a bandaid kit, but when I mention my own heart's delight, Melissa Whistler from Falcon Crest, she just pours scorn.

"She's crazy, still, at least that gives you a chance!" she

says, all snide. Then she starts drooling over Robert Redford, all bleached blond hair piece and ice blue contact lenses. Fifty if he's a day, thick as a brick. I swear he can't even put his own clothes on, needs a dresser to do it. But there's no reasoning with her, she thinks he's cute.

"Cute?" I said. "Cute is like Bambi, he's more like Rudolf the Red Nosed Reindeer after a night on the igloo roof!"

I don't know where she gets these fancies from. I mean, the Flying Doctor wallah is so young, he's no more than a fledgling, his feathers are still wet behind the ears, and what ears! Wo: se still, he's Australian and we're leaving Kuwait in June and planning to emigrate there, after a year or so in England. It's a bit worrying when I think about it, I mean off we go, get Down Under, set up shop, start writing about all the cables of congratulations that the wallabies are sending, then swoosh, down comes this Red Cross Vulture, whizzing in and

out of the place like a human boomerang while she sighs with delight every time he loops the bloody loop!

Steps will have to be taken. First of all, never get sick, if she develops bubonic plague or starts dying of thirst in the back garden, just throw a bucket of water over her, give her an aspirin and let her refuse to call the bugle doctor. Mind you, there is a lady flying doctor, I suppose I could amuse myself with her wing muscles for a while, brush up her tail feathers.

I suppose living in Australia must be pretty hairy, with ambulances dropping out of the skies all over the place, nurses fluttering out of the clouds at the drop of an aspirin. If you have to go to the hospital and they put you in 'E Wing' they mean it literally, just as you get into bed and find your bedpan, it's fasten seat belts and you're away! Still, I suppose the nurses keep coming around with duty-free.

Wonder if they demonstrate

open heart surgery along with the lifejacket business? Do they have problems with hijackers seizing the mid air maternity wards? "We're holding 44 hostages, oops, sorry, make that 45, oh no, it's twins, okay 46. We demand that you refuel our saline drips and release all the kidney cases in Ward Seven!"

Then, when you're old and grey and just want to sit in the sun drinking large cold glasses of Not Pepsi, they stick you in the Geriatric Wing, grey feathers flapping feebly as lumberers up into the sky like a Sopwith Camel, or should it be a Sopwith Kangaroo?

I seem to have wandered from the point a bit, but I've made my position very clear to her, if that duck-billed flying quack comes anywhere over head he'll find himself on the wrong end of a Stinger missile. I know my rights and the only thing that'll change my mind about the Flying Doctor Service will be if they start providing a few floating nurses, that might make me really sick!

LARRY SPEAKES has been roundly criticised for putting words in President Reagan's mouth. As press secretary he made up quotes that he attributed to the President, causing untold damage to Reagan's reputation as the commander-in-chief of everything he utters.

People in the White House press corps were not so much amazed at Speakes' resorting to such subterfuge as they were puzzled about why the President permitted him to do it.

The best explanation is that President Reagan never worried about what Speakes said at his briefings as long as it sounded good to the public.

There were some close calls for the Gipper, however. One time Speakes came into the Oval Office and said, "Sir, we have just secured Grenada. Is there any statement you'd like to make?"

"How about, 'Fourscore and seven years ago our

## The Art Buchwald Column

### Now hear this

forefathers brought forth on this earth a new nation and that is why we have nothing to fear but fear itself?"

"It's a bit wordy," Larry said.

"Well, you have the idea, just kick it around and use anything you want to."

"I will say, 'This is one of the greatest victories against communism in our lifetime and is a signal to our foes that we will never negotiate out of fear nor fear to negotiate.'"

"That's fine. Good night."

"But, sir it's 4 o'clock in the afternoon. You have to make a speech this evening at your state dinner for Margaret Thatcher."

"What are you going to tell the press I said?" the President asked.

"I might tell them that you said Prime Minister Thatcher has brought us nothing but blood, sweat and tears."

"I hadn't planned on saying that. Why can't you report when I made my toast I had no comment."

"The press doesn't like that. Don't worry, I'll think of something."

"You're very good, Larry."

"I see it this way, Mr President. A press secretary's job is to make the President look better than he really is. If I can have you expounding brilliant things we both win."

"How do we both win?"

"You come out of it as the Great Communicator and I get a much higher advance on my book."

"Larry, are we doing

anything wrong?"

"Of course not. I am your spokesman. What difference does it make if you say it or I say it, as long as you get credit for it?"

"Suppose they find out the words aren't mine?"

"Only you and I know that, sir, and I sure as heck am not going to tell. Look, I won't make up quotes all the time. If you ever come up with anything original I'll use it."

"And you don't think it will hurt us when it comes out?"

"Not on your life. You don't think Abraham Lincoln said everything he was credited with?"

"Can I give you my statement now on how we won the war in Afghanistan?" the President asked.

"Try it out on me, and I'll see if I like it."

"You really take over, don't you, Larry?"

"Better me than Gorbachev."

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## FAMILY DOCTOR

By DR ALLAN BRUCKHEIM

### SON'S SEIZURES COULD BE SIGN OF EPILEPSY

QUESTION: My son (4 years old) has seizures in which he seems to go into a deep daydreaming state for very short time. Sometimes he begins blinking uncontrollably or waving his arms, although he seems to have no control. I've taken him to testing (EEG) but nothing has been found. Is it possible he has epilepsy? I know these dazed periods are a sign of epilepsy, because my grandfather had it.

ANSWER: It is indeed possible that your son has epilepsy — a condition that is produced by uncontrolled electrical discharges in the brain. Sometimes the EEG (electroencephalograph) fails to diagnose this disturbance. The EEG is a machine that measures brain waves picked up by wires placed on the head. Sometimes, the electrical change in the brain, which triggers the epileptic seizure, takes place in such a deep part of the brain that the tiny wires of the EEG on the scalp fail to record the change. The type of seizures you've described are known as absence or petit mal seizures.

If your son continues to appear to experience them, he probably should have a 24-hour-long EEG, which can be done in a

hospital. This full day of monitoring frequently helps pick up signs of epilepsy that otherwise might go unnoticed.

QUESTION: Have you ever heard of a sex disease called Fitz-Hugh?

ANSWER: You mean Fitz-Hugh-Curtis Syndrome. It is thought to be a complication of two sexually transmitted infections, chlamydia and gonorrhea. The syndrome affects young women and adolescent girls and has been reported in men.

The most common symptom of Fitz-Hugh-Curtis Syndrome is abdominal pain, especially in the right upper quadrant of the abdomen, which makes it hard to diagnose because other abdominal conditions such as appendicitis, peritonitis, hepatitis and pelvic inflammatory disease cause similar pain. The best way to diagnose it is through laparoscopy, where a small viewing instrument is inserted into the abdomen through a small incision. The diagnosis is Fitz-Hugh-Curtis Syndrome if laparoscopy shows adhesions (scarlike connective tissue) between the abdominal organs including the intestines, liver and reproductive organs and if gonorrhea or chlamydia organisms are present.

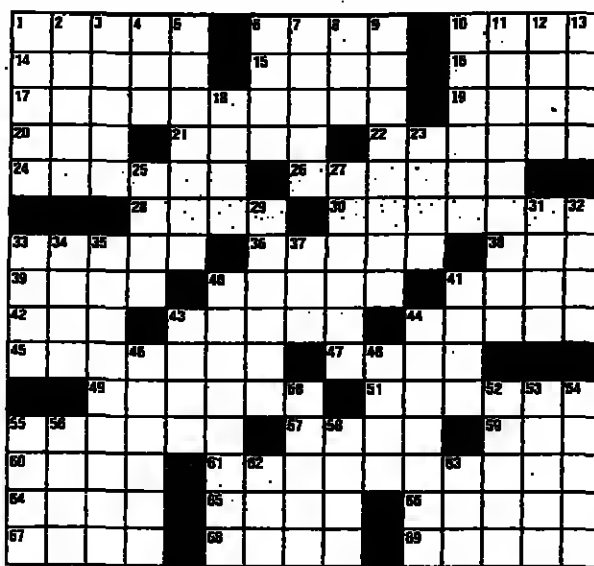
QUESTION: Can medicines change the way older people think?

ANSWER: Yes, unfortunately. Some drugs or drug combinations can cause what appears to be senility, depression, anxiety or delirium in the elderly. Actually, many medications can have an effect on anyone's ability to think, but these effects are seen more frequently in the elderly because older people are more susceptible to the action of drugs and they get more prescriptions than younger individuals. In addition, because many elderly take several medications for different problems, there may be adverse interactions between drugs that affect thinking.

Before an elderly patient is diagnosed as having a mental impairment, a complete evaluation of his or her medications — including what non-prescription drugs they use — should be done by a physician. Only medications that are absolutely necessary should be prescribed. In some patients, the signs of mental illness or impaired thinking will go away if drug dosages are reduced or other drugs substituted.

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## TODAY'S CROSSWORD



- ACROSS:
- Gamecock
  - Verbal dig
  - In the distance
  - Sprightly
  - Type measure
  - Slippery Sp.
  - A winner in the long run?
  - VW II vessels
  - Western Indian
  - Bag or board
  - Sharp mountain ridges
  - Quality control watchdog
  - Pitcher of a sort
  - Stone vases
  - Certain sweaters
  - Petty quarrels
  - Pet peeves
  - Coconut or banana
  - Art school subj.
  - Ship of the desert
  - At liberty
  - Bird
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  - Double-runner
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  - Party to
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  - Soul; Fr.
  - Ties together
  - Othello's two-faced friend
  - Did garden work
  - East-West confrontation
  - Took care of
  - Zoom or contact
  - Concerned with
  - In itself
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  - Wags the tongue
  - Straightedge
  - The Charles' wirehair
  - Shad's is highly prized
  - Chemical ending

## GOREN BRIDGE

BY CHARLES GOREN AND OMAR SHARIF  
WITH FRENCH FINESSE!

Both vulnerable. South deals.

NORTH

♠ J 6 3

♥ K J 7 4

♦ A 6

♣ Q J 10 3

WEST

♠ K 8

♥ Q 10 9 6 3

♦ K J 8 7

♣ 5 4

EAST

♠ 10 9 5 2

♥ 8 5 2

♦ 10 4 3 2

♣ 7 6

SOUTH

♠ A Q 7 4

♥ A

♦ Q 9 5

♣ A K 9 8 2

The bidding:

South West North East

1 ♠ Pass 1 ♥ Pass

2 ♠ Pass 4 ♠ Pass

4 ♠ Pass 5 ♠ Pass

5 ♠ Pass 6 ♠ Pass

Pass Pass

Opening lead: Ten of ♥

Naturally, the French have a

word for it. An "impasse" is the

normal finesse where you lead to the

lower card of a broken sequence.

An "expose" is where you lead to-

ward an unsupported honor in the

hope of finding a higher honor fa-

vorably located. The latter play fre-

quently will gain a trick or two.

North-South conducted an or-

derly auction to a good slam. South

could not use Blackwood because of

his two fast losers in diamonds, so

he cue-bid the ace of hearts, then

made a grand slam try when his

partner showed the ace of diamonds

in response.

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:

LIBERTY EMBROIDERED PLUG

SOOT NORRIA LARA

NEW ENGLAND ANAT

TRAVAILS DANDLE

ENNS MESNE

PONCE CONFESSA

TAU YETIS ORBED

ARTS RINSE SETA

BELLO LEYTE RTS

SEABEETS IMAGO

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ANDREA TOLERATE

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ELSA SENAT RYES

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"You're not hoping to get away without paying for that doughnut, are you?"

## THE WIZARD OF ID

By Brant Parker and Johnny Hart



## B.C.

By Johnny Hart



## YOUR STARS

**Aries (March 20 - April 18)**

You will be able to make up for lost time. Mercury's influence will help you to deal with a practical matter. Make sure you do not neglect your partner. Be less tempestuous.

**Cancer (June 21 - July 21)**

The influences are mixed and you should tread warily. You should do your best not to fall out with your partner. You will have a bit of good luck but not in the way you had hoped for. Be more moderate.

**Libra (Sept. 22 - Oct. 22)**

You will be able to use your initiative to good effect. You will get some good results, but it will be hard to take. Make sure you always take time to strenuous exercise. Be punctual.

**Capricorn (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19)**

The moon's better influence will help you to deal with a tricky situation. The solution to a problem lies in a different direction the one you are looking for. Think more of the future than of the past. Be sincere.

**Taurus (April 19 - May 19)**

You should do something to put your financial affairs into better order. The general situation has improved but concentration is still needed. Now is the right time to make some important changes. Be cordial.

**Leo (July 22 - Aug. 21)**

Avoid allowing yourself to be invaded by negative thoughts. And do not worry about something that is unlikely to happen. Mercury's influence will help you to do well but you must concentrate too. Be considerate.

**Scorpio (Oct. 23 - Nov. 21)**

There will be some tension but Mercury's influence will help you to deal with them. You should not think only of yourself. Take even more care than usual when on the road. Be reliable.

**Aquarius (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18)**

You will be rather too liable to daydream and should control yourself. If you ask for more than you deserve you will not get it. Your skill and intelligence will stand you in good stead. Be a little more generous.

**Gemini (May 20 - June 20)**

Mercury's influence will help you to use your skill and intelligence to the full. You should make sure you are true to your word. Do all you can to avoid getting into an argument. Be sensible.

**Virgo (Aug. 22 - Sept. 21)**

You should not do anything to force the issue. A little more compromise is what is needed just now. You will be able to clear up some doubts. Be tactful.

**Sagittarius (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21)**

You should beware of any kind of exaggeration. And do not exceed the limits of propriety. Pay a little more attention to your personal appearance. Be a little more jocular.

**Pisces (Feb. 19 - March 19)**

Instead of abandoning a project you should persevere with it. Do make sure you lock all doors and windows when leaving the house. Do not allow others to take advantage of you. Be trustworthy.



# Cruising around the isles of Greece

ATHENS — The mere mention of Greek islands conjures up a picture of sun-splashed land jutting abruptly out of lapis-blue water. This image makes you want to drop everything and go — to see for yourself.

If you do plan a Greek islands trip, you may find yourself on one of several Greek-owned Epirotiki ships, a line that began back in 1954. "That was the year that Epirotiki teamed up with the new National Tourist Organisation to convert a small liner, the M/V Semiramis, into a cruise ship," said Andreas Paliouras, purser of the MTS Oceanos. He added, "Its first cruise carried 150 passengers, including several journalists, who loved it and went home to write about it." The experiment proved to be most successful.

Now, of the nearly 30 cruise ships sailing in the Aegean and Mediterranean waters, 11 are owned by Epirotiki.

My husband and I sailed from Piraeus, the port of Athens. On our return, several of Epirotiki's ships were docked at one time: the small Neptune, the mid-sized Atlas, the large World Renaissance, and our mid-sized ship, Oceanos. It was an impressive fleet, with most ships easily identified by their cream-colored hulls and white tops, and unique blue smokestacks sporting the insignia of a stylized gold Byzantine cross.

To understand why so many of the ships were in port at one time, it's important to know of the variety of cruises offered by Epirotiki. The line offers Mediterranean trips lasting 1, 3, 4, 7, 14, or 21 days, from May to October. We were there in October.

Most package tours to Greece include a cruise segment. Itineraries from Athens vary in ports of call so that a visitor can return many times and sail to different islands. Our seven-day cruise was part of a 14-day Traos World Airlines Getaway package with three days in Athens before the cruise and a 3-1/2-day motor-coach land trip following it. The itinerary included a stop on the island of Rhodes, the ports of Alexandria and Port Said, Egypt; Ashdod, Israel; the island of Patmos; Kusadasi, Turkey; and back to Piraeus.



Presidential guards march in front of the former royal palace in Athens, which now serves as the parliament building.

Optional shore excursions were available in each port.

Incidentally, this summer may be a bumper year for travel to Greece, as the exchange rate is favourable and tours take advantage of pre-booked fixed hotel rates along with air and shipboard costs. The biggest savings may be in cruises that include meals and entertainment.

On board the Oceanos, we were pleased with the layout of the ship, which has a large protected rear-deck space for enjoying the sun, the pool, and views of the sea and islands.

Cabins on the Epirotiki ships are attractive, as are the common rooms with themes from famous Greek legends and myths, rendered in stucco, clear colours in plush wall decorations, statuary, mosaics, and paintings. Artist Arminio Lozzi and movie set designer Maurice Bailey collaborated on the decor.

The cabins were comfortable though not enormous. Ours had a double bed. Some have an extra fold-down berth to accommodate a third person at a reduced rate. Prices quoted for most packages include inside cabins on lower decks,

with an added charge for a cabin with a porthole. We opted for the view.

The Oceanos specialises in Continental cuisine and features a wide variety of food with a definite Greek flair — which we enjoyed. Theme nights on board coordinate meals, entertainment, and dress — such as Greek Night, when we had Greek dishes, wore the flag colours of blue and white, and watched a Greek entertainment.

In typical cruise fashion, there were numerous courses and generous servings at mealtime, starting with delicately flavoured seafood appetizers, tasty soups, salads generously heaped with late-season tomatoes, cucumbers, and Greek olives. Then came the entrees of omelette fish, lamb, beef, and pork, with a good variety of vegetables.

Happily, the dinner dessert choices were simple, usually with only one hugely rich dessert, a selection of ice cream, or fresh fruit and cheese. Conversely, a wide variety of temptingly rich desserts appeared on the lavish buffet table served on the upper deck at noontime.

The excursions in each port were pre-arranged so that immediately after docking you could board a motorcoach for the destination. Some passengers on our cruise were disappointed, saying "the shore time was too short." For example, the time allowed on Rhodes was sufficient, except that a delay in leaving Athens meant a late arrival. And the excursion to Lindos on the other end of the island had to be rushed to get passengers back on time for the ship to sail. Later, at dinner, captain Dionisios Papanikolaou explained that ships leave on time, because "we are charged for port time and fined heavily for late departures." In

some cases, as in Rhodes, taking an optional excursion away from the port eliminated any time for shopping. Mediterranean ports have lots of trinkets to sell, so, if shopping is a priority, don't sign up for the excursion.

Oceanos provides two exceptionally well-trained Greek guides who give brief talks previewing the ports-of-call. "Vanna Theodoridou and I were trained at the National Tourist Organisation School for tour guides at the University in Athens," said Anna Mellberg, who has sailed on cruise ships as a guide for five years. She continued, "I give the talks in Spanish and French, and Vanna gives the English, German, and Dutch. Between us we cover seven languages."

This is one of the pluses of Epirotiki cruises, since passengers come from all over the world. Our cruise had more people who spoke Dutch, German, Spanish, Portuguese and Greek, than ones who spoke English.

We particularly enjoyed meeting and making an effort to communicate with non-English speakers at mealtimes,

or on the sundeck. For excursions, passengers are assigned to motorcoaches by their language group.

Until four years ago there was little entertainment aboard Epirotiki's ships. But now it has become part of each cruise. Sharon Emmins, the cruise director and a most attractive tall blonde who comes from Essex, England, introduced each show. "There are 15 entertainers on board. They're booked through a booking agency in London and show are coordinated by our band director, Tony Christian," she said. "His combo, Tony Christian Sound, accompanies each show and plays for dancing," she added.

The nightly shows at 10:15 included a magic act; a delightfully funny clown act; a song and dance man from Scotland; two talented women vocalists; and a group of four energetic dancers. Although the level of sophistication in staging and costumes wasn't quite up to some glitzy shows on other cruise lines, most of the entertainment seemed to "work" all right for this part of the world. What to wear?

Epirotiki's cruises than on some lines. "The longer cruises tend to have more formal occasions, shorter ones only first and last night out," said Miss Emmins. My observation was that street length dresses for women and business suits for men were appropriate on formal nights.

Since Greece has a hot sunny climate, be sure to bring a sun hat, sunglasses, lotion, and cool clothing for shore trips. A plastic canteen for carrying water from the ship is handy since pure drinking water isn't easily found in this arid region. Some religious sites don't allow bare shoulders and shorts for women. Since most sites are usually high on a hill reached over well-worn and slippery slipper paths, good walking shoes are a must. A sweater is handy on deck most nights.

Several cruise lines sail in the Mediterranean: Epirotiki, Sun Lines, Cycladic, K. Lines, and others. To book a Greek Islands cruise, contact your travel local agent or a firm specialising in cruises. 1988, The Christian Science Monitor News Service.



Greek island cruise ship on the island of Kos.



The temple of Hadrian in the ancient city of Ephesus.

## A very different India

**Southern India is a surprise and a delight, very different from the cities of the north, discovers travel writer Robin Neillands.**

FOR the visitor, India can be divided into two parts — the north for the tourists, the south for independent travellers.

On their first visit to India, most people opt for the north and take the standard tour round the Agra Triangle, to see the Taj Mahal, Delhi, and the pink city of Jaipur, perhaps with a side-trip to Kashmir.

That's a good first choice, the ideal way to sample a little of this fascinating country, and the route I first took myself. But on my second visit I went south, to the Carnatic, and found a very different India.

My journey began in the heat and humidity of Bombay, which I was quite glad to leave. I flew on within the day to Bangalore, capital of the state of Karnataka — the Carnatic, and the perfect base for touring the princely cities of Mysore.

Bangalore was a garrison town in the days of the British Raj and is still an army town, a place of parks and gardens and pleasant bungalow houses, deliciously cool after that coastal humidity. From here a three-hour drive took me south to Mysore, the Sandalwood City.

The Maharaja of Mysore is one of India's great princes. When the present Maharaja's father decided to build a new palace at the turn of the century, he decided to build two — one for himself and one for his guests. The second is now a hotel, the Lalitha Mahal, an excellent place to stay while exploring the city bazaars and

visiting the Maharaja's Palace, which is guarded by cavalry soldiers but open to visitors.

Close to Mysore lie several temples, notably Belur and Halebidu, where the guides use the carvings which cover every inch of the buildings to explain to visitors the lives of Shiva and Vishnu, and Ganesh, and all the other gods of the Hindu pantheon.

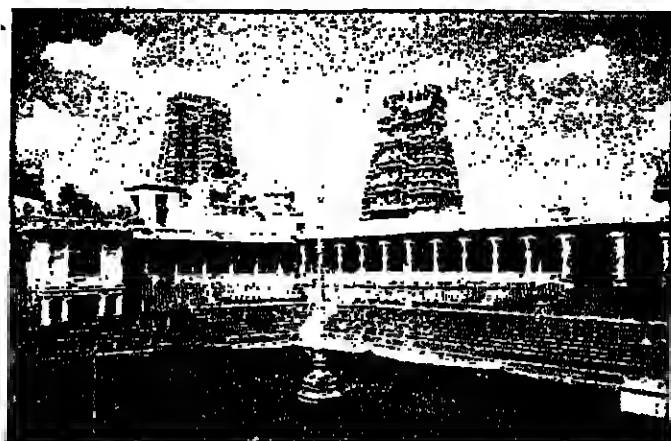
We soon became expert in picking the best about, with Ganesh the elephant god and the watchful Nandi bull being our

special favourites.

The other great sight near Mysore is the fortress of Tipu Sultan at Srirangapatam. Tipu Sultan fought and won several wars against the East India Company until, in 1797, his fortress was stormed and captured by a new general, Arthur Wellesley, who later became Duke of Wellington.

The fortress was destroyed but Tipu Sultan's summer palace nearby was untouched and is still painted with marvellous murals depicting the campaigns of Tipu and his father against the English invaders. The gardens of the summer palace are said to rival those of Versailles.

From Mysore, I travelled south again, to the tip of India.



Meenakshi Temple, Madurai.

to the state of Tamil Nadu and the city of Madurai.

Tamil Nadu is a very tropical region, more like the Far East than India, a place of palm trees and paddy fields. Madurai is a temple city and a place of pilgrimage for the Hindus who

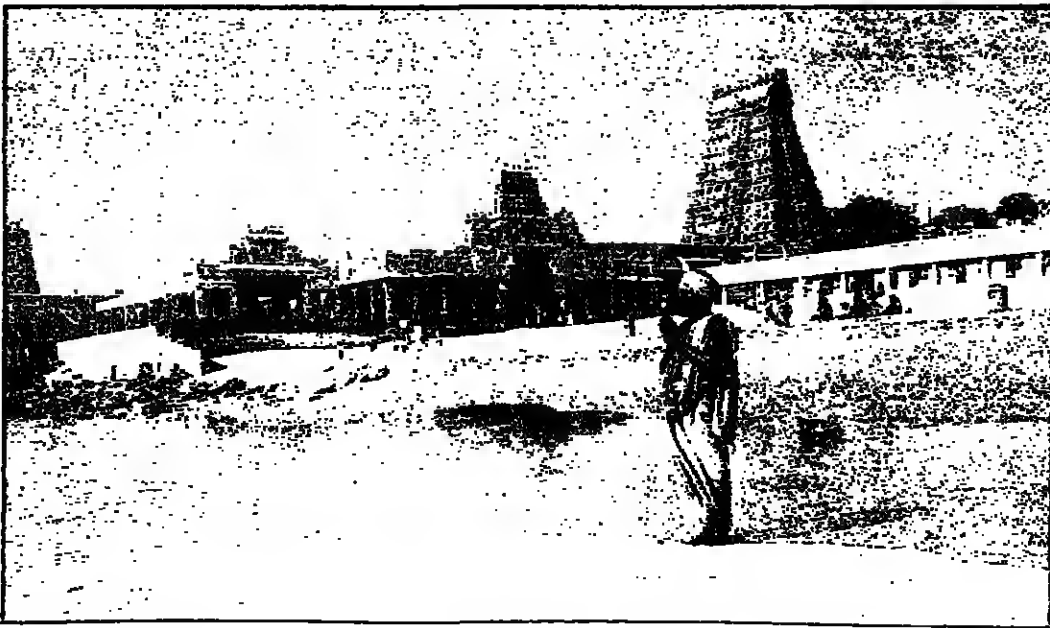
flock here in their millions.

The principal temple in the city centre is huge — one room alone contains a thousand pillars, each one intricately carved — and we spent a whole afternoon inside the temple walls, lost for much of the time. Madurai is not a place you can rush, so we spent three days here, wandering about the bazaars and temples before moving on again to Madras, and our hotel at Fisherman's Cove on the beach, 20 miles from the city.

### Delights

Western tourists don't seem to have discovered Fisherman's Cove yet — the only other visitors were from Russia, vast women in red woollen bathing suits who spent a lot of time leaping in and out of the sea. Fisherman's Cove is just the place to relax in after a long tour.

Southern India was a surprise and a delight, very different from the dusty cities of the north. The weather was glorious, the countryside beautiful, the temples fascinating and the people friendly. With good food and comfortable hotels still half-empty, a visit to Southern India could be a very good idea ... but go soon.



Devinee at sea-shore, Tamil Nadu

## ARAB TIMES MONTHLY

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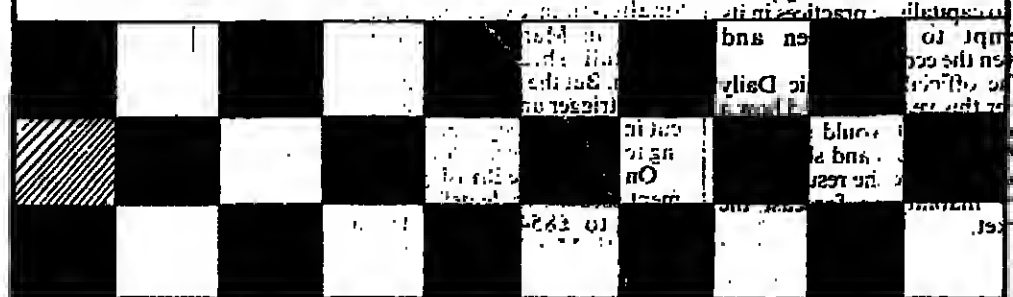
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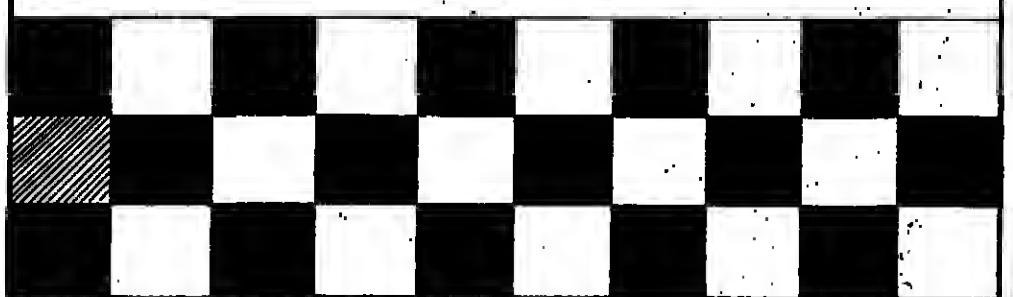
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# BUSINESS & FINANCE

## China to start futures markets this year

BEIJING, May 4, (AP): China will become the first socialist country to set up futures markets in up to five such markets in the southern city of Guangzhou later this year, an official report said yesterday.

The English-language China Daily quoted unidentified sources as saying preparations were under way to set up three to five of the markets in Canton, one of China's most important business centers.

Chinese leaders hope the markets will stabilize the economy and prevent drastic price increases that have become a major complaint of Chinese citizens, the paper said.

A futures market allows buyers and sellers to agree on a price for a commodity that will be worth a future date. The producer is guaranteed that price regardless of subsequent fluctuations in the market.

The report said officials from the cities of Beijing and Wuhan and the provinces of Guangdong, Henan, Jilin and Hunan met in mid-April to discuss plans for the futures markets, but did not say what commodities would be traded.

This is the latest development in China's decade-long economic reform that has increasingly turned to capitalistic practices in its attempt to strengthen and align the economy.

The official China Daily said the new futures market would be a pilot project for the country's economic reform.

Both papers acknowledged that China's backward communications and transport systems will be a problem, but the China Daily said, "the country cannot wait until everything is ready before carrying out the plans."

## Tanzania expands agricultural exports

DAKAR, May 4, (AP): Tanzania will expand agricultural exports and increase foreign exchange earnings with a project aimed at supporting entrepreneurship in the agricultural sector.

IDA is supporting the project with a credit of SDR 22 million (\$30 million).

Agriculture is Tanzania's most important economic sector, employing four of every five people in the work-force and accounting for four-fifths of the country's export earnings.

The \$40 million project will provide financing to enterprises that produce agricultural exports. It will also provide funds, staff training and technical assistance to support the strengthening of Tanzania's Unproductive and Rural Development Bank.

The support provided to farmers who produce export goods is expected to increase incentives to boost production and improve the quality of Tanzania's traditional export crops, such as coffee, tea and cotton.

## No change in oil prices, says Egypt

CAIRO, May 4, (AP): Egypt decided today not to change its crude oil export prices in the first half of this month, a senior official said.

Hamad Ayoub, the oil ministry's director of foreign sales, disclosed the decision to reporters after a meeting of the standing interdepartmental committee that reviews prices every fortnight.

Export prices for the second half of April will be continued in the first 15 days of this month, Ayoub said.

The prices are \$14.85 a barrel for the top-grade Gulf of Suez blend, \$14 a barrel for Belayim, \$13.10 a barrel for Ras Badran, and \$12.40 a barrel for Ras Jharab.

**Failure**  
Egypt currently produces 370,000 barrels daily and sets its own export prices. They generally are tuned to policies of the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries, even though Egypt is not a member.

Ayoub refused to comment on Opec's failure at the weekend to agree on a production cut at its Vienna meeting to eliminate a market glut and raise prices to the organisation's \$18 benchmark level.

## Vienna meeting meaningful, says China

# Would-be Opec allies ready to cut output

LONDON, May 4, (Reuters): Several producers from outside Opec seemed ready yesterday to renew efforts to collaborate with the organisation on cutting output and trying to raise world oil prices, despite a rebuff.

Opec, in disarray at weekend Vienna talks, failed to agree on a package of joint output reductions with six non-Opec sellers, Mexico, Egypt, Malaysia, China, Angola and Oman.

"But in early reactions within that group, dismay was tempered by expressions of resolve to try again in more contacts ahead of the organisation's next ministerial meeting early in June."

"The Vienna meeting was an important milestone... but we are disappointed at the outcome," said Malaysian Petroleum Minister Kasitah Gadam.

"We hope there is a change of heart among certain Opec members and a proposal will be forthcoming before it meets next in June," he added.

Energy Minister Fernando Hiriart of Mexico said Opec had not actually rejected a proposal

by the six, conditional on a matching Opec response, to cut their output by five per cent.

It was true that deal could not be struck in Vienna, but the six had agreed not to take unilateral measures to defend their markets in the hope of an Opec response would yet be offered.

Hamad Ayoub, vice-chairman of the Egyptian General Petroleum Corp (EGPC), also said the five-per-cent offer remained valid.

"I expected an agreement. But we have not yet received an official Opec explanation of the failure," Ayoub told Reuters on his return from Vienna.

Egypt remained ready to cooperate with Opec for the sake of a stable oil market.

**Declined**  
Chinese officials declined immediate comment on the failure in Vienna, but reaffirmed willingness to help stabilise prices.

Western industry sources and diplomats in Peking said rising domestic demand might push China to cut exports by about five per cent whatever Opec does.

"China has gained political mileage out of its offer to Opec, but really has to cut exports anyway," a diplomat said.

China said yesterday the meeting was a meaningful effort towards stabilising oil prices and could lead to further cooperation.

"It paves the way to further cooperation between Opec and non-Opec oil producers," the official People's Daily said in a commentary on the Vienna meeting between the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries and six non-Opec members.

Although the meetings failed to produce an agreement this was a meaningful effort at stabilising oil prices," it commented.

China exports 600,000 barrels a day, according to official figures.

Opec failed to come up with its side of the joint production deal after Saudi Arabia would not agree to cuts on a scale favoured by such pricing militants as its ideological foe, Iran.

Kuwait's Oil Minister Sheikh Ali Al Khalifa appeared to leave

the door open to further bargaining with the non-Opec exporters.

The talks had not failed, he told a news conference in Vienna. But "in the past, in our haste to get an agreement we often fudged issues and this process of fudging issues came to haunt us with problems at a later stage."

Market analysts noted, however, that the Kuwaiti shared a growing belief that, as Western refiners stock up ahead of the northern hemisphere winter, firmer demand for oil will boost prices without the need for new output cuts.

**Cool**  
Texas oilman T. Boone Pickens says he sees prices stabilising around \$18 from \$16 to \$17 now, by year's end.

Analysts said that, in a tighter market, the Saudis might at future talks be reluctant to see the emergence of a "super Opec" aimed at driving prices above \$18 — the current Opec benchmark for contract sales — for fear of stampeding the West into a new orgy of energy conservation.

Notable absentees from the Vienna talks meanwhile included

three heavyweight non-Opec oil producers, the Soviet Union, the United States and Britain.

Comments from Moscow last week suggested that the Soviet Union, the biggest producer, might be as cool about joining efforts by Opec and its allies to manipulate prices as are the staunchly free market Americans and British.

Spokesman Valery Vorobiov of Moscow's Ministry of the Petroleum Industry said on Thursday: "If there is an agreement to reduce output, the Soviet Union is not obliged to do so."

"We are not a member of Opec, and we are not at the meeting in Vienna. According to our plans, which are well known, we are trying to increase our output of oil, and that's what we are doing," he said.

So far as the United States is concerned, however, Opec delegates in Vienna saw as positive for the organisation a London meeting between its president, Rilwanu Lukman of Nigeria and Texas Railroad Commissioner Ken Hansen.

**Dubai emerging as major Gulf trade centre**

ABU DHABI, May 4, (Opecna): Consolidating its position as a major trade centre in the Gulf region, Dubai witnessed an 18 per cent increase in the value of its re-exports in 1987, compared with a year earlier, while its non-oil exports rose by 2.4 per cent during the same period.

According to government statistics released here yesterday, the emirate re-exported about one million tons of goods worth around \$1.40 billion last year against 1.20 billion in 1986.

Re-exports comprised mainly foodstuffs, machinery, industrial products and chemicals.

**Producer**  
Dubai, a major oil and gas producer, has also seen its non-oil exports increase by 2.4 per cent from about \$351 million in 1986 to over \$359 million in 1987, it said.

Dubai's exports went to Japan (\$110 million), the United States (\$46 million), Saudi Arabia (\$23 million), Oman (\$22 million), Kuwait (\$21 million), Taiwan (\$17.70 million), Qatar (\$14.40 million) and Bahrain (\$14.40 million).

After taking into account the positive effect of trade in services and certain unilateral transfers such as income from British investments abroad, Britain's current-account deficit narrowed markedly to \$254 million in March from \$720 million in February.

Black-market rates for foreign currencies virtually evaporated in Turkey yesterday, a landmark success for Prime Minister Turgut Ozal after bruising economic reverses this year.

After edging closer together for several weeks, the black market and official bank rates equalised in the officially-tolerated currency trading area of Istanbul's historic covered bazaar.

"The way things are going, I judge rates will remain close until October," said a dealer in the maze of streets where groups of unofficial traders make the market.

An influx of Turkish immigrant workers returning with foreign currency for the Muslim holy month of Ramadan and tight government money policies combined to bring the rates in line, dealers said.

The Central Bank kept up its daily devaluation of the lira despite developments in the bazaar, setting a dollar rate of 1272.50/1278.86 for today, down about eight lira from Monday.

Ozal imposed austerity measures on February 4 to stabilise the lira after its free market value dropped 23 per cent against the dollar in January, and the difference between the official and free market rates stretched to 24 per cent.

The package sent interest rates soaring in over 100 per cent for many businesses, while an increase in obligatory lira reserves forced banks to cash in foreign currency.

Overnight interest rates — the cost of the lira which banks must buy from the central bank to balance their books each day — hit 95 per cent at one point last month.

While equalising the exchange rate differentials was a symbolic victory for Ozal, economists warned that the problems of labour unrest, a 70 per cent inflation rate and a \$40.8 billion foreign debt would not evaporate easily.

My banks is expecting lira rates to shoot up again soon. The Central Bank has big debt repayments to make in June and July," said one Turkish banker.

One victim of the economic uncertainty has been a free foreign currency and gold market, planned for January but now apparently postponed indefinitely.

## Exports surge

# Trade trend may not spur UK rate cut

LONDON, May 4, (Reuters): Britain's smaller-than-expected trade deficit in March suggests the long-term trend in Britain's trade performance.

High UK interest rates may not prove so alluring to investors anymore. "People have woken up from the dream where only interest-rate differentials matter," said Stephen Lewis, director of economic research at Phillips & Drew, a London stockbrokerage.

UK interest rates remain higher than in most leading industrialised countries, including the UK, West Germany and Japan.

**Soaring**  
In addition, a slight rise in West German interest rates may intensify downward pressure on the US dollar and central currency market interest in sterling.

That would be a welcome relief for the British government, which doesn't want to cut interest rates again because of the country's galloping credit growth.

The trade deficit and soaring credit growth probably will drive up UK commercial banks' base rates — currently 8 per cent — later this year. Since early March, when the pound began its latest climb, the government twice has directed commercial banks to cut their base rates; the rates now stand at their lowest level in 10 years.

Analysts said Britain's narrow export trade shortfall in March may indicate some unwinding of distortions due to this year's introduction of a new customs form throughout the European Economic Community. The altered form appears to have underestimated export flows earlier this year and led to massive trade deficits in January and February.

In March, a 5 per cent surge in exports, excluding oil and erratic items, showed there was "reasonable evidence of a partial unwinding" of the statistical snarl, said Keith Scooch, chief economist of London stockbrokerage James Capel.

Analysts expect the April results will iron out any remaining distortions.

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## International Bond Highlights

International bond highlights 0700 GMT May

London — The Australian Industry Development Corporation is issuing a 100 mln Canadian dollar Eurobond due July 6, 1993 paying 10-1/8 pct and priced at 101-3/4 pct, lead manager Wood Gundy Inc said. (RTWK 1615).

London — Intel Investments Ltd, a subsidiary of Intel Corp, is issuing a 10 billion yen step-up Eurobond due June 10, 1993, bearing a coupon of 4.5 pct in the first year which rises to 4.8 pct thereafter, said Nomura Securities Ltd as lead manager. (RTXB 1648)

## Interbank Rates

CALL	ONE MONTH	THREE MONTHS
LDN 7-1/4 7	8-1/16 8	8-7/16 3/8
FFY 3.25/30	3.35/45	3.45/55
PAR 7-5/16 3/8	7-3/4 7/8	8 8-1/8
BUR 1-3/8 1-5/8	1-7/8 2-1/8	2 2-1/4
XRX 3.25	6.00 1/8	6.00 1/8
ROM 9-5/8 10-1/8	9-3/4 10-1/4	10-1/4 10-3/4
AMS 3-15/16 4-1/16	4-0 4-1/8	4-0 4-1/8
TOK 3.3125 3750	3.8125 8750	3.8750 9375
ECU 5.81 5.93	6.06 6.18	6.31 6.43

## Interest Rates

FOLLOWING are the average KD interest rates of local interbank transactions as reported by participants to Central Bank of Kuwait yesterday.

Period	Bid	Offered
1 month	61/16	61/2
3 months	57/8	63/8
6 months	53/4	63/16
1 year	511/16	61/8

## BOMBAY

	PR.CLOSE	OPEN	CLOSE	GLINDIA	67	65.50	67	MCD	510	505	510
				GNFC	33	33	33.25	MUKAND	89.50	89	90
ACC	150	149	155	GRASIM	92.50	92	93	NOCIL	450	452.50	450
ASIA PAINT	145	142.50	145	GSFC	102	101	102	ORRAY	23.50	23	25.50
BAJAJ AUTO	202.50	201.25	202.50	HIND LEVER	73	72	73	PEICO	32.50	31.50	32.50
BAR-RAYON	205	205	210	HINDALCO	77	75	76.50	PFIZER	61.50	60.50	61.50
BOM.DYING	130.50	127	128.50	HINDCOCCA	76.25	75	77.50	PRE-AUTO	27.50	28	27.50
BR. BOND	95.50	93	94	HINDMOTOR	19	18.50	18.75	RAYMOND	45.50	45	45.50
BSE INDEX	482.42	472.55	482.55	IND ORG	19.50	20	19.50	RELIANCE	120	119	120
CENTURYSPG	820	817.50	825	INDRAYON	60	59.25	61.50	SIEMENS	66	65	65
COLGATE	172.50	172	173	INDROL	162.50	158.75	162.50	SPIC	34.75	34.65	35
DEEPAKFEET	28.50	28	29	ITC	36	35	34.50	STHILLIS	245	240	250
EEL.HOTEL	52	50	52	JCSYTR	54.50	54.50	55.25	TATA PWR	260	255	250
ESKAYEER	160	160	163.75	L AND T	84.50	84	85.50	TATACHEEN	45	45	45
ESSAR	16.50	16.25	16.25	MAHINDRA	58	58.50	58	TELCO	497.50	487.50	480
GAR. POLY	76.50	75	76.50	MASTERSHR	10.12	10	10	TISCO	711.25	707.50	700
GE.SHIP	27.15	26	26.37	MATNER PL	77.50	77	82.50	VOLTAS	281.50	285	290

## FRANKFURT

STOCK	LAST PR-CLOSE
ALCANTARA	210.40
ALLIANCE VR	1310.00
BADENWERK	182.00
BASF	242.00
BAYER	242.50
BAYER WPP	339.50
BAYER VER	336.00
BBC	322.00
BHF	378.00
BHW	509.50
COMETZBK	226.50
CONTI GUMM	245.00
DALMER BEN	612.00
DEUTSCH BKN	404.50
DLM	370.00
DRESNER B	237.80
DT BARCOCK	147.00
FAZ INDEX	1442.50
WOLFSHEIM	254.00
INAPENR	407.00
HOECHST AG	255.80
HOECHS	129.00
HORTEN	185.50
HUSSEL HLD	454.00
KALI SALZ	133.50
KARSTADT	460.00
KALHOFF	400.00
KLOECK N	101.50
KLOECK W	86.10
LINDE	635.00
LIFFYANSA	148.50
NAR	176.00
MANHESAN	142.50
MERCEDES	493.50
METALLURG	275.00
MTDORF PF	501.00
NORSK HYD	51.70
PHILIP KOP	560.00
PORSCHE	530.00
PREUSSAG	155.80
PMA	205.10
RHEIN	201.00
RHEIN P	190.50
RHEINMETAL	275.00
SALAMANDER	247.00
SCHERING	446.00
SEL	285.10
SIEMENS	337.50
TIVISEN	136.00
VARTA	270.00
VEBA	244.20
VEW	164.20
VOLKSWAGEN	238.70

## HONG KONG

STOCK	LAST PR-CLOSE
C N TUNNEL	15.40
CHENG K	7.65
CHINA GAS	16.30
CHINA L-P	18.50
CHINA MTR	19.40
COSMO PROP	0
EVERGOLD	38
FAR EAST C	81
GEN ORIENT	0
H C DEVELOP	9.30
H S INDEX	641.13
HANG LUNG	5.50
HANG SENG	26.70
HAW PAR BR	0
HK ELEC CO	7.65
HK KOLCOON	7.15
HK LAND CO	8.90
HK SHAN BK	6.60
HK SHAN HT	4.50
HK TELE CO	7.10
MUTCH WHAN	8.65
INT ED PAC	10.80
JARDINE N	13.00
KOWLOON H	13.00
NEW WORLD	2.17
PAUL Y CON	6.05
REALTY DEV	1.99
S H K PROP	11.10
SIEH DARBY	1.51
STINE HFG	2.65
SURE PAC	17.40
T V S CO	14.30
TAI CHEUNG	3.80
UNIT BANK	1.60
WOCK HANG	0
WOCK MAKI	0
WORLD INTL	3.42

## Yeutter praises tough trade bill measures

WASHINGTON, May 4: US Trade Representative Clayton Yeutter says he supports even the "confrontational" aspects of the trade bill just passed by Congress because it gives the President enough discretion for carrying out policy.

Although President Reagan is expected to veto this bill over a provision requiring advance notice on plant closings and although Congress is likely to sustain the veto, Yeutter said, the administration still seeks another version of the bill that could become law later this year.

Yeutter made the remarks on May 2, in a USA Worldnet interview with participants in Bonn, West Germany.

"Now clearly there are some elements of that bill that are going to be troubling to some of our trading partners," Yeutter said. "But it's a market-opening kind of a work product and not a protectionist work product."

## Provision

For example, Yeutter defended one provision in the bill aimed at West Germany, among others, seeking open telecommunications markets.

"We believe that is a laudable objective," he said.

If the trade bill becomes law and if President Reagan and his successors administer the law in a sound and productive way, he said, then US trading partners have nothing to worry about.

Yeutter declined to speculate on specific exchange rates but said that if the US trade balance shows deterioration rather than improvement, he expects further depreciation of the dollar.

The trade representative said he does not soon expect integration of US and Japanese monetary policy into the European Monetary System in order to achieve more exchange rate stability.

Also, he said, closer economic policy coordination among

nations requires sacrifice of policy independence for substantial discipline that he does not foresee any time soon.

"We're not at the point yet where there is a realistic chance of success, but that doesn't mean we should stop trying," Yeutter said.

The trade bill and the ongoing Uruguay Round of multilateral talks are consistent because both intend to open markets worldwide, he said.

A December mid-session review of the Uruguay Round by trade ministers in Montreal may not produce any final agreements, the US trade representative said, but it must show that significant progress is being made and impart momentum to the second half of the talks.

## Progress

If the talks drag on without making progress, governments will start attempting unilateral and bilateral solutions instead, he said.

Yeutter pressed especially hard to have in Montreal at least a framework for an intellectual property code for protecting patents, copyrights and trademarks.

He also warned that without major reform in world agricultural trade, "not just minor reform," the exporting countries face much more confrontations ahead.

Nothing growing unrest among Americans over foreign takeovers of US business and property, Yeutter said he was happy that trade bill conferees in Congress dropped the Bryant amendment that would have required disclosure by foreign investors.

As Americans have been telling other countries for years, foreign investment helps them become competitive, he added. "We can't be hypocritical about this," Yeutter said. "If foreign investment is good in other countries, then foreign investment is good in the United States."

## Kent Hance wants to keep Opec contacts open

AUSTIN, Texas, May 4, (AP) — Kent Hance, one of Texas' three oil regulators, says the state benefited from his attendance at last week's Opec meeting, and he plans to keep those contacts open despite the criticism the trip drew.

One group called yesterday for Hance to be prosecuted on charges of violating the Logan act, which bans private citizens from interfering with US foreign policy.

"We're not trying to join Opec, and we're not always going to agree with them," said Kent Hance, who sits on the three-member Texas Railroad Commission. "But when President Reagan tried to get nuclear arms stability, he had to deal with the Russians, who are our enemies."

Hance did not participate in meetings held by the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries, but rather visited with some individual oil ministers during his stay in Vienna, Austria.

"The critical thing is we're living in a world where someone else sets the price for our commodity. We have to have input," he said in an interview yesterday.

Not everyone agreed. The citizen labour energy coalition, which says it has 12 million members who favour low energy prices, wrote US Attorney General Edwin Meese urging that he prosecute Hance.

"It would appear that commissioner Hance's efforts to assist Opec in fixing world oil prices are in direct opposition to US foreign and economic policy," the letter said.

"Commissioner Hance is carrying on a blatant campaign to assist Opec in raising world oil prices and damaging US economic interests."

The Opec meeting ended on Monday with no agreement on a proposed 2 per cent cut in the group's oil production, a move aimed at stabilising prices that have undergone big fluctuations since late 1985.

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ALADDIN COMPANY	1.19	1.17
ARAB ALUMINUM IND.	1.82	1.82
ARAB BANK	115.0	114.5
ARAB CHEMICAL DTR	3.90	3.90
ARAB FINANCE CORP.	1.33	1.33
ARAB INSURANCE	1.10	1.05
ARAB INT. INV. TRAD	0.98	0.98
ARAB INT. UNION INS	0.94	0.90
ARAB INTER. HOTELS	0.53	0.58
ARAB JOR/INVEST/BK	2.10	2.10
ARAB PAPER CO/IND	0.33	0.34
ARAB PHARMA. MANF.	1.99	2.00
ARAB PHARMA/CHEM	0.76	0.75
ARAB POTASH CO.	---	---
ARABIAN SEAS INS.	1.65	1.65
BANK OF JORDAN	15.00	15.10
BELGIUM INSURANCE	1.00	0.95
CAIRO AMMAN BANK	30.00	30.00
DAR AL SHAAB PRESS	0.36	0.38
DAR ALDAMA DV/INV.	1.42	1.42
DARCO/INVEST/HOUS.	0.40	0.41
FINANCE/CREDIT/COR	0.50	0.50
GARAGE OWNERS OFF	4.10	3.95
GENERAL INSURANCE	2.39	2.63
GENERAL INVESTMENT	1.25	1.26
GENERAL MINING	1.22	1.22
HIMEN MINERALS	0.79	0.79
HOLY LAND INS.	1.20	1.32
IND. MATCH JEMCO	0.60	0.60
INDSTR. DEVELP. BKK	1.40	1.41
INDSTR./COMM/AGR.	1.29	1.29
INDUSTRIAL INVEST.	0.75	0.75
INTER. COM/INV	0.19	0.20
IRBID ELECTRICITY	0.96	0.94
ISLAMIC INV. HOUSE	0.64	0.64
ITERMED/PETRI/CH	1.22	1.27
J. TOUR-SP COMPLEX	0.75	0.75
JERUSALEM INS.	1.26	1.29
JO TOBACCO/CIGARET	13.60	13.60
JOR. CERAMIC FACTOR	1.04	1.04
JOR EAGLE INS.	25.01	25.05
JOR ELECTRIC POWER	1.45	1.46
JOR FINANCE HOUSE	1.20	1.17
JOR GLASS INDUSTRY	0.92	0.91
JOR HOTEL TOURISM	2.50	2.50
JOR INDUSTRY CHEM.	1.41	1.51
JOR INS AND FIN.	1.20	1.20
JOR LEASING CORP.	0.80	0.75
JOR LIM BRICK	0.20	0.21
JOR MANAG/CONSULT	0.50	0.50
JOR NATIONAL BANK	2.50	2.47
JOR PAPER CARDBROG	3.00	3.05
JOR PHOSPHATE MINS	2.21	2.21
JOR PIPES MANUFACT.	1.15	1.14
JOR PRINTING/PACK.	3.96	4.00
JOR ROCK WOOL IND.	0.55	0.56
JOR SECURIT. CORP	0.75	0.74
JOR SELPHO. CHEM.	2.58	2.63
JOR WOOD INDUSTRY	1.14	1.13
JOR WORSTED MLL	4.57	4.57
JOR. KUWAIT AGR	1.00	1.00
JOR. PETROLEUM REF	7.07	7.08
JOR. FRENCH INS.	5.20	5.30
JOR INV. FIN. CORP	1.88	1.88
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JORDAN DAIRY	0.97	0.99
JORDAN GULF BANK	1.16	1.15
JORDAN GULF INS.	0.94	0.95
JORDAN INSURANCE	13.85	13.90
JORDAN ISLAMIC BKK	1.67	1.67
JORDAN KUWAIT BANK	1.45	1.45
JORDAN TANNING	1.95	1.95
LIVESTOCK/POULTRY	0.77	0.76
MACH/RENT/MAIN	0.75	0.74
MAS INDUSTRIES	0.69	0.73
MIDDLE EAST HOTEL	60.00	60.40
MIDDLE EAST INS	60.00	60.00
MINERALS RESEARCH	0.60	0.55
NAT. FIN. INVEST CO	1.80	1.80
NAT/CABLE/WIRE/MF	0.96	0.98
NATIONAL ARLIA INS	1.29	1.25
NATIONAL INDUSTRY	0.50	0.50
NATIONAL PORTFOLIO	0.68	0.70
NATIONAL STEEL	2.83	2.82
ORIENT DRY BATTERY	0.25	0.28
PETRA BANK	2.00	1.95
PETRA JOR. INS.	0.50	0.50
PHILADELPHIA INS.	0.89	0.89
RAFA INDUSTRIAL	0.80	0.80
REAL ESTATE INV.	0.39	0.37
SHIPPING LEVING	0.78	0.78
SHIPPING LEVING	0.78	0.74
THE HOUSING BANK	1.71	1.71
UNITED INSURANCE	1.00	1.00
UNIVERSAL CHEM. IND	1.50	1.50
UNIVERSAL INS.	1.19	1.23
WOOLEN INDUSTRIES	0.85	0.81
YARMOUK INSURANCE	1.06	1.07

## PHILIPPINES MAKATI

COMMERCIAL/INDUSTRIAL	SECTOR	BUY	SELL	OPEN	SC-A	77.00	77.00
STOCK	BUY	SELL	OPEN	SC-A	77.00	77.00	77.00
AC-A	8.30	8.40	8.40	LC-A	45	46	45
ANIS	3.75	3.80	3.75	PC-A	38	39	38
FER-A	2.40	2.44	2.36	PC-B	40	41	40
GLD	34.50	35.00	34.50	OIL SECTOR	---	---	---
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KPSI-A	1.60	---	---	BP-B	0.018	0.019	0.018
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SHC-B	180.00	---	---	LC-B	0.0026	---	---
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SHC-D	---	---	---	OP-B	0.046	0.048	---
APX-A	0.027	0.028	0.027	OP-A	0.034	0.035	0.034
APX-B	0.027	0.028	0.027	OP-B	0.034	0.035	0.034
AT-A	20.75	21.00	20.75	OV-A	0.034	0.035	0.034
AT-B	20.75	21.00	20.75	OV-B	0.034	0.035	0.034

## Makati Stock Market Report

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SECTOR	SHARES	VALUE	AVERAGES	CHANGES	
COMM. IND.	463,760	22,559,610	841.86	8.54	UP
MINING	16,563,800	3,023,075	4,929.61	17.33	UP
OIL	146,700,000	2,812,450	6.067	0.043	UP
TOTAL ..	131,727,560	28,395,135	808.57	5.85	..UP



## US has record trade, deficit with communist governments

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 Dancic Electronic — Tariq Co.  
 Welch Allyn — Bader Sultan & Bros. Co.  
 Life Teck — Al-Dawahi Trdg. Est.

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## Dear Junior Readers,

What is the first thing you do when you get in the car? Do you start fussing with your brothers and sisters about who gets to sit by the window or in the front seat? Or do you turn on the radio and find your favorite music? These are not the first things you should do.

The first thing you should do when you get in the car is to reach for your seat belt and snap it together. Everyone in the car should hear the snap of the seat belts before any other sound is heard. After you hear the "seat belt snap", you are ready to start your trip.

The "seat belt snap" will protect your life. Memorize the poem below. It will help you remember to snap your seat belt everytime you get in the car.

Aunt Barbara

## Seat belt snap

When you get in the car  
Traveling near or far,  
Just reach across your lap  
And do the "seat belt snap".  
Don't turn the key

Let the radio be  
First reach across your lap  
And do the "seat belt snap".

The whole family should do it  
There's really nothing to it.  
Always reach across your lap  
And do the "seat belt snap".

## Happy birthday

Sian Seery celebrates her fifth birthday today. Best wishes, Sian, from your family and friends.

ONCE upon a time, there lived a King who had seven beautiful daughters. But of all his daughters, the youngest was the most beautiful.

This princess had one favourite among all her toys. It was a golden ball. She spent many hours throwing it up into the air and catching it.

Near the King's castle was a huge, dense forest. Under a big tree on the edge of the forest there was a deep, dark pool.

On a hot day it was pleasant to rest under the cool shade of the tree, by the pool. The princess often went there to play herself.

The youngest princess used to run about on the grass near the pool, throwing up her golden ball and catching it.

One day, however, when the princess threw up her ball, it did not fall into her outstretched hands. It fell onto the grass and bounced into the deep pool with a loud splash.

The princess could not bear to think that she had really lost her beautiful, golden ball. She began to cry. And the more she thought about the loss of her favourite toy, the louder she cried.

As the princess wept, she heard a voice saying, "Why do you weep, young princess? What is wrong?"

The princess looked up to see who was speaking to her. She could not see anyone nearby. There was only a frog, sitting at the edge of the pool.

## The princess and the frog

So she said to the frog, "I am crying because my beautiful, golden ball has fallen into this deep pool."

"Do not cry," said the frog. "I can help you to get your ball. But what will you give me if I find it for you?"

"If you will give anything you wish for," replied the princess. "You can have my clothes or my jewels or even my golden crown, if only you will find my golden ball."

"I do not want your clothes or your jewels or even your golden crown," replied the frog.

"I should like you to love me. I want you to let me be your friend and play with you. I want to sit beside you at the table, eat from your golden plate and drink from your golden cup. I want to sleep in your bed beside you."

"If you will promise me these things," went on the frog, "I shall dive down into the deep and find your golden ball. Do you promise?"

The princess thought that the frog was talking a lot of nonsense. Also, she wanted her golden ball very much. So she said, "Yes, I will promise all that you ask, if only you will find my golden ball for me."

At these words, the frog dived into the pool.

The frog dived deep into the pool and soon came swimming up again with

the golden ball in his mouth.

He threw the ball onto the grass. The princess was so happy to see her favourite plaything once again. She picked it up and laughed with delight as she threw it into the air and caught it again and again.

Then she turned her back on the frog and the pool, and ran away through the forest towards her father's castle.

"Wait for me! Wait for me!" croaked the poor frog. "I can't run as fast as you can!" And he hopped along behind, trying to catch up with the princess. She did not turn around but just kept on running.

The next day, the young princess was sitting at dinner with the king, his courtiers and the other princesses. As she ate from her little, golden plate, the frog found his way into the great hall of the castle. He jumped from step to step up the marble staircase.

When he got to the top he knocked on the door of the dining room. "Youngest princess, open the door for me!" he cried.

The princess ran to the door to see who was calling to her. When she saw that it was the frog, she was afraid. She slammed the door shut quickly and went back to her place at the dining table.

The King saw that his daughter was afraid. "My child, what has frightened

you?" he asked. "Is there a giant outside the door who wishes to carry you away?"

"Oh no! dear Father," replied the princess. "There is no giant outside the door, only a horrible, slimy frog."

"What does the frog want with you?" asked the King.

Then the princess told her father what had happened in the forest the day before. "I promised him that he could live with me," she said, "but I never thought he would come so far from the water..."

Just then another knock was heard on the door and a voice cried out: "Youngest princess, hear me call."

Remember you lost your golden ball. As you played by yourself beside the pool. I dived into the waters cool, and your ball I found and returned to you.

Now please remember your promise true. To take me along to live with you."

"When a promise is made it must be kept," said the King to his daughter. "Go and open the door."

The youngest princess went and opened the door. As she returned to her chair, the frog hopped behind her. When she sat down, the frog said, "Put me on the table beside you, please."

The princess hesitated

but the King told her to do so as the frog asked.

When the frog was on the table, he said to the princess, "Please push your little, golden plate nearer to me. Then we can eat together from the same plate."

The princess did so, but very unwillingly. She barely touched her food and each mouthful seemed to choke her. The frog, however, enjoyed every bite he ate.

When he had finished eating, the frog turned to the princess and said, "Now I am tired, please take me to your room and we will lie on your little, silken bed and go to sleep."

At that the youngest princess burst into tears. She did not like to touch the gold, little frog and she could not bear to think of him beside her in her own bed.

Then the King grew angry and spoke sternly to his daughter. "If someone helps you when you are in trouble," he said, "you cannot afterwards turn your back on him. Take the frog and with you to your room."

So the princess had to pick up the frog and take him to her room.

She put him in a corner of the room, as far as possible from the bed. Then she got into her silken bed and turned her back on him.

The princess knew she had no choice, for her father would insist that she kept her promise. So, with

tears running down her face, she picked up the frog, climbed back into bed and put him on the silken pillow beside her.

No sooner had she done so than the frog turned into a handsome prince! Not only was he handsome but he had a kind face and he smiled gently at the startled princess.

Then he told her how he had been bewitched by a wicked witch and turned into a frog. The spell could only be broken if a beautiful princess would take this frog as her companion, live with him, eat with him and sleep with him.

The prince told the princess how he had often watched her playing with her golden ball into the forest and how he had fallen in love with her.

"Dear princess, will you now marry me?" he asked. The princess looked into his kind face and agreed to do as he asked.

Then, hand-in-hand, they went to tell the King what had happened.

The next day they set off in a carriage driven by six white horses. They travelled to the kingdom of the prince's father. When they arrived, there was great rejoicing at the return of the prince who had not been seen for many years.

Some time later, the prince and the princess were married and they lived happily ever after.

The golden ball was kept in their palace, inside a special glass case and resting on a purple cushion.

## Factfile FROM THE GUINNESS BOOK OF RECORDS



THE FIRST WOMAN TO BE ELECTED TO THE HOUSE OF COMMONS WAS CONSTANCE GEORGINA MURPHY (1869-1927), who was elected as a member (BIRMINGHAM) FOR THE PATRICKS, DUBLIN, ON 26 DECEMBER 1918. SHE DID NOT TAKE HER SEAT.

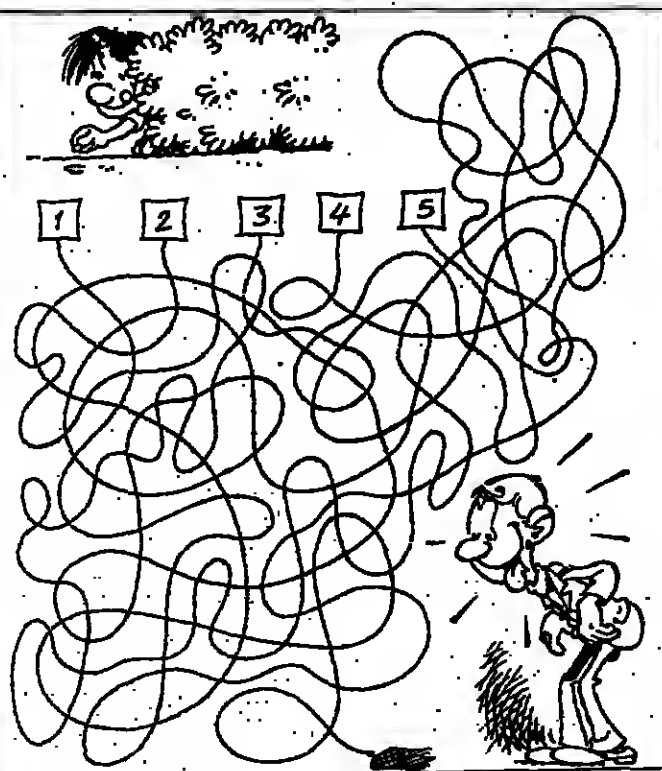


THE FIRST WOMAN TO TAKE HER SEAT WAS THE VISCOUNTESS ANSON, who was elected as a member (BIRMINGHAM) FOR THE PATRICKS, DUBLIN, ON 26 DECEMBER 1918. SHE DID NOT TAKE HER SEAT.



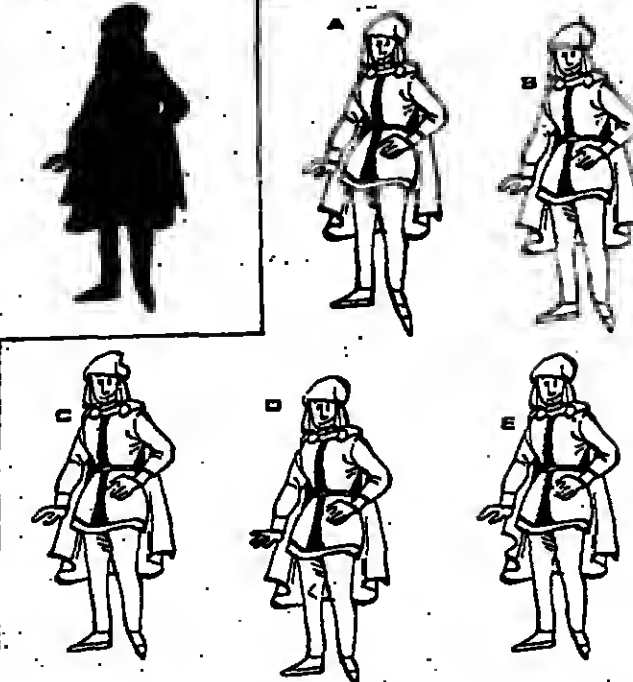
## Wallet Wally

Which string must the mischievous boy pull to play a trick on the man?



## Shadow cabinet

To which of the five lettered princes does the shadow on the top left-hand corner belong?



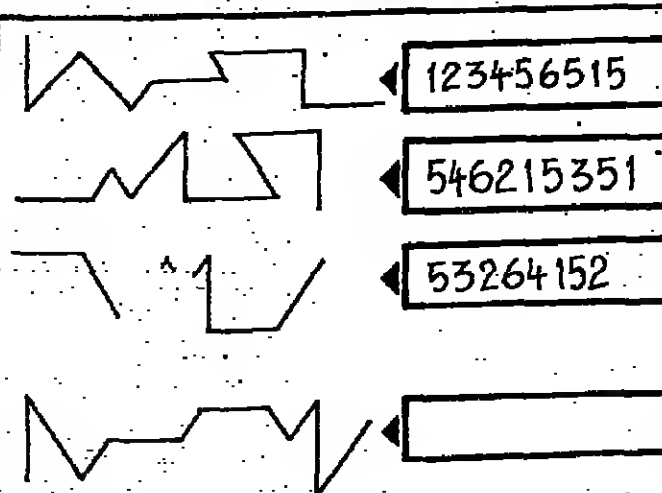
## Symbol shift

Can you replace each of the seven symbols in the table with a number from 1 to 7 so that the total at the end of each horizontal and vertical row is obtained?

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◎	■	●	◎	○	23
★	○	●	★	★	9
○	◎	★	◎	□	23
15	16	19	20	18	

## Code works

With the help of the numbers and their codes shown above, can you determine which numbers must be placed in the empty box to maintain the coded sequence?



## Let's cook

## Butterfly cakes

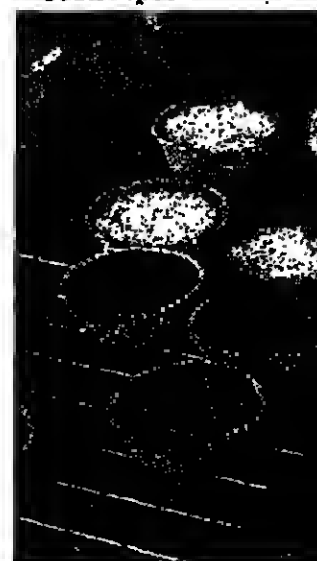
Ingredients  
100g (4 oz) caster sugar  
100g (4 oz) soft margarine  
100g (4 oz) self-raising flour  
2 level teaspoons baking powder  
2 eggs  
Equipment  
Mixing bowl  
Sieve  
Wooden spoon  
Teaspoon  
Knife  
20 paper cake cases  
Baking tray

- Put oven on at Gas Mark 5 (electricity 375°F/190°C).
- Place the sugar, margarine and eggs in the mixing bowl.
- Sift the flour and baking powder over the other ingredients.
- Beat all these together for 2-3 minutes with a wooden spoon.
- Spoon the mixture into the 20 paper cases and stand them on a baking tray.
- Place in the oven for 15 minutes or until golden brown. Allow to cool before decorating.

## Butter icing

Ingredients  
250g (10 oz) icing sugar

125g (5 oz) butter  
Equipment  
Teaspoon  
Small mixing bowl  
Wooden Spoon  
Sieve  
Sharp pointed knife  
1. Sieve the icing sugar into the bowl.  
2. Add the butter and mix them together with the wooden spoon until soft



and creamy.  
3. Cover mixture with a clean damp cloth until you are ready to use it.  
4. Using a sharp knife, carefully cut a circle out of the top of each cake.  
5. Cut this circle of cake in half to make 2 butterfly wings.



6. Spoon a little of the butter icing onto the top of each cake and put the two 'wings' on top of the icing.

one of the following can be added: Orange — add grated rind of one orange; Chocolate or coffee — add 1 dessertspoonful of cocoa or coffee dissolved in 1 tablespoonful of water; Coffee and Walnut — as for coffee with 50g (2 oz) chopped walnuts.

## Variations &amp; flavourings

To the basic cake mixture,

## Cross reference

The object is to discover which letter of the alphabet each number in the diagram represents. Repeat the starter letters wherever their respective numbers occur; this should give you enough clues to start guessing at likely words.

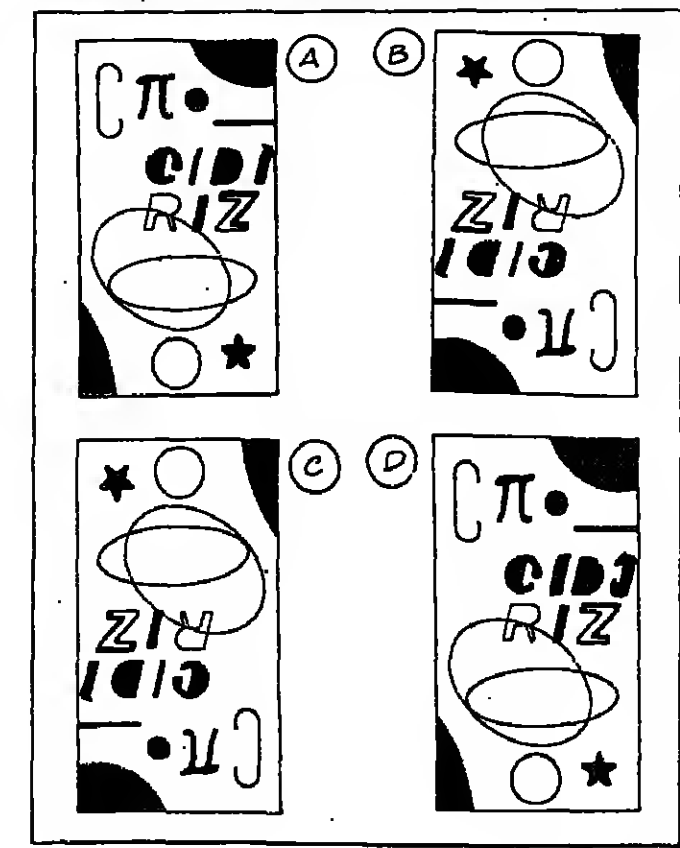
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## REFERENCE GRID

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## On the fake

Which of the lettered pictures is different from the rest?











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### عشق، شہزادہ شہناز کا سامنہ کرنے سے ڈتے نہیں

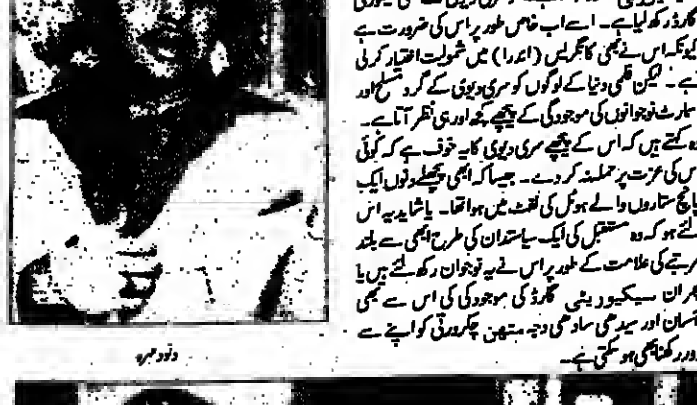
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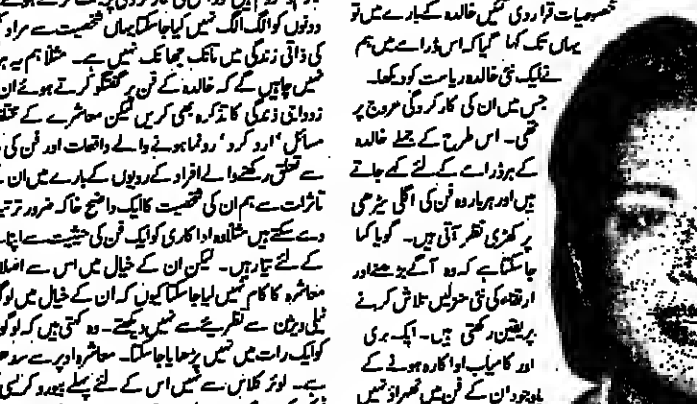


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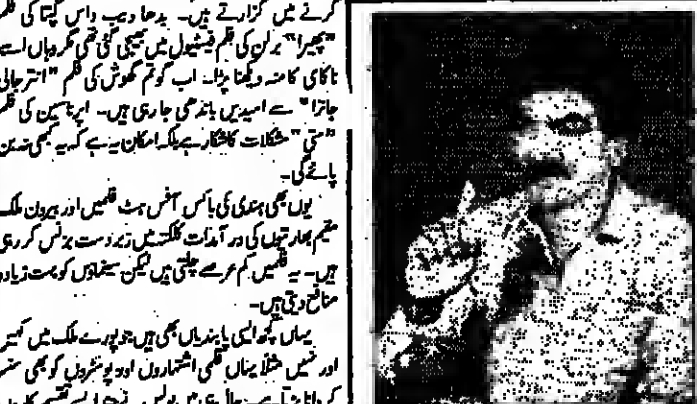
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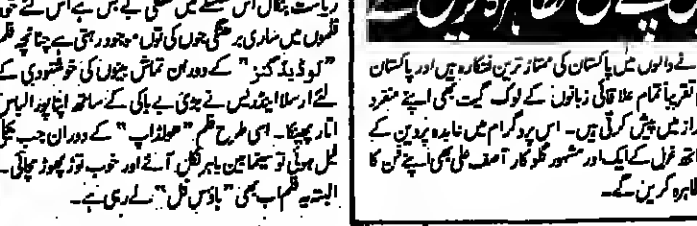
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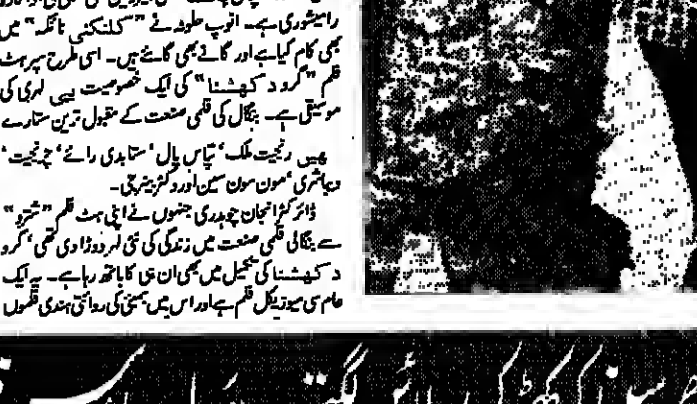


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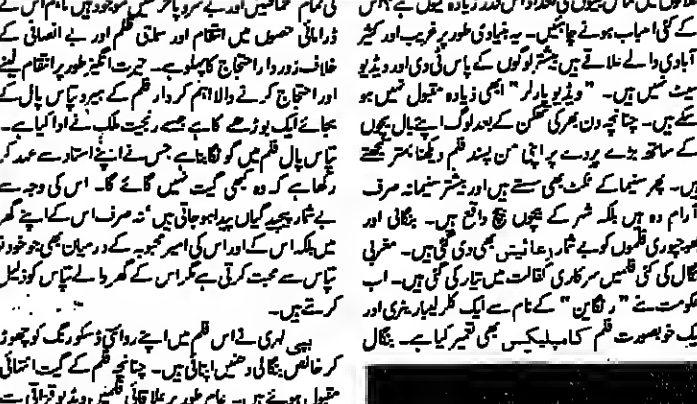
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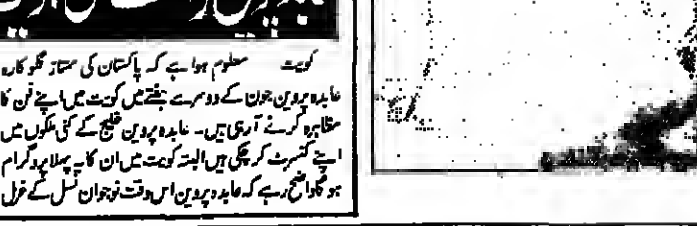
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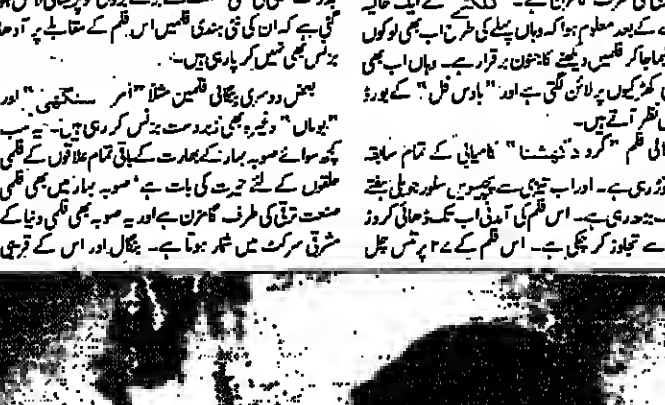
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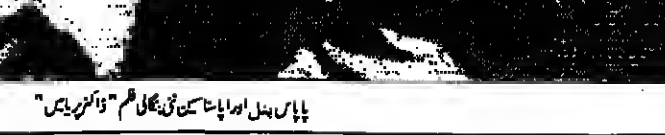
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SPORTS

West Indies to maintain fast-bowling barrage

LONDON, May 4. (Reuters): Viv Richards intends to maintain West Indies' traditional fast-bowling barrage in the forthcoming Tests against England, even though they have to bowl 90 overs a day.

West Indies have never agreed a minimum figure on previous Test matches but the total of at least 50 overs in the five Tests this time, following a proposal passed at last year's International Cricket Conference (ICC) meeting.

The West Indians continued preparations for their tour which opens on Saturday, captain Richards said. "We will do our best to get the overs in by six o'clock, because no-one likes doing overtime."

"But I don't think this regulation will change the way we play. If we have to go on a bit beyond that, then I just hope the weather is good enough."

**Specialist**

The emphasis of the West Indian attack is very much on fast bowling, with six pacemen and only one specialist slow bowler, off-spinner Roger Harper, in their squad of 17.

Richards added: "I think we have a wonderful mixture — a few old hands and some young lions. We should be all right."

Since beating England 5-0 in the Caribbean in 1986, West Indies have drawn their last four Test series, but Richards is encouraged by that record.

"I think we have done well in view of the players we have lost," said the West Indian captain. "Not to have been beaten in a series during that time is a great achievement."

"We are in a rebuilding process, and I am quite certain that if we get the breaks this summer, we can come up trumps."

Azinger makes predictions on Invitational

LAS VEGAS, Nevada, May 4. (AP): The history of the Las Vegas Invitational is a short one, going back only to 1983.

But it's long enough for Paul Azinger to draw some conclusions and make some predictions for the five-day chase for a \$250,000 first prize that began today.

"I think we have an established player who wins it goes on to have a great year," Azinger, the defending champion, said before a practice round yesterday.

"Look at the winners since '84," Azinger said. "(Dennis) Watson, and he's a multiple winner that year."

"Curtis (Strandberg) in '85 and he sets a money-winning record and wipes out everybody."

"(Greg) Norman in '86 and he sets a money-winning record and wipes out the world."

"And I win in '87 and have a great year," said Azinger, who went on to take Player of the Year honours, three titles and \$822,481.

**Official**

"The reason it takes an established player is the money (\$1,388,889 total official this year). When Watson won, I knew there was no possible way I could let myself win with that much money at stake. No way."

"I was so impressed I could let myself win."

"It's reaching a new plateau. After you're there, the money doesn't enter into your thinking," Azinger said.

"But you have to reach that plateau before you can do it," said Azinger, who won earlier this season and is coming off a two-week break.

"I'm hitting the ball absolutely the best I ever have," he said. "Everything is strong. Every part of the game. My confidence is very high," he said.

**Cram and Aouita to run in Nice**

NICE, France, May 4. (Reuters): Briton Steve Cram and Moroccan Said Aouita return here in July to the track where they became the first athletes to break the three minutes 30 seconds barrier for the 1,500 metres three years ago.

Organisers of the Nice Grand Prix on July 10 said Aouita would run in the 1,500 metres. They said Cram had not yet said which race he would enter.

Cram beat Aouita by 0.04 of a second in 1985 to win a world record time of three minutes 29.67 seconds.

**S. African swimmer**

CANBERRA, May 4. (Reuters): South African 1,500 metres freestyle swimmer Gary Brinkman might not be allowed to swim for Australia at this year's Seoul Olympics despite marrying an Australian citizen, a government official said yesterday.

Brinkman married an Australian last month after advertising for a wife in the hope of qualifying for Seoul.

FRASER GRABS HAT-TRICK

Imran's half ton lifts Sussex

LONDON, May 4. (Reuters): Middlesex's uncapped fast-medium bowler Angus Fraser claimed a hat-trick after a skilful half century by Imran Khan rescued Sussex in their Benson and Hedges Cup cricket match yesterday.

Fraser, who is showing considerable promise this season after making his debut four years ago, took wickets with the last three deliveries of the 55-over innings.

Sussex scored 182 for nine and Middlesex were 62 for one from 22 overs at the end of the rain-hit day at Lord's. The match was to continue today.



Imran: rescued Sussex

**Caught**

Fraser, who finished with three for 39 in his 11 overs, had Simon Kimber caught at cover, bowled Imran for 71 and also bowled Rodney Bunting.

Pakistan captain Imran, who came in at 30 for two, took 31 balls to get off the mark but his technique and experience guided Sussex to a relatively respectable score. He and Neil Lennham (55) put on 87 in 30 overs for the third wicket.

Former England openers Paul Terry and Chris Smith combined to spur Hampshire to victory by 10 wickets over Glamorgan at Southampton.

Terry, who hit an unbeaten 80 off 135 balls, and Smith, with 70 not out, shared an unbroken first-wicket partnership of 158 as Hampshire won with eight overs to spare.

Glamorgan lost their first three wickets in nine deliveries after being put in and were indebted to Indian all-rounder Ravi Shastri for their final score of 157 for nine. He made 55, striking two sixes and three fours.

Kent opener Neil Taylor hammered 137 in 146 balls, with three sixes and 10 fours, but seems likely to end on the losing side against Surrey at the Oval.

Kent made 245 for eight in their 55 overs and Surrey need a further 64 in 10 overs with nine wickets left when the rain-hit game continues today. An opening stand of 136 in 36 overs between Graeme Clinton (94 not out) and David Smith (55) put Surrey on course for success.

**Scores**

**Group A**

At Derby: Warwickshire 233 for five innings closed (Asif Din 67 not out, P. Smith 43) v Derbyshire.

At Trent Bridge: Yorkshire eight for no wicket off three overs v Nottinghamshire.

**Group C**

At the Oval: Kent 245 for eight innings closed (N. Taylor 137, I. Greig three for 24). Surrey 182 for one off 45 overs (G. Clinton 94 not out, D. Smith 55).

At Lord's: Sussex 182 for nine innings closed (Imran Khan 71, N. Lennham 55, R. Fraser three for 39). Middlesex 62 for one off 22 overs.

**Group D**

At Southampton: Hampshire beat Glamorgan by 10 wickets. Glamorgan 157 for nine innings closed (R. Shastri 55, K. James three for 31). Hampshire 158 for no wicket in 47 overs (V. Terry 80 not out, C. Smith 70 not out).

Hampshire two points.

Rain prevented play in the following matches which were now to start today:

Minor Counties v Worcestershire, Combined Universities v Somerset, Scotland v Leicestershire.

Angels outclass Indians

NEW YORK, May 4. (AP): George Hendrick lined a pinch single to drive in the tying run, and the Angels ran out 5-4 to beat the Indians in the final game of the American League Division Series.

Hendrick's liner to left scored Chili Davis, who led off with a double into the left-field corner, tying the score 4-4. A single by Devon White chased Dan Schatzeder, and Hendrick scored on a single by Wynegar off Chris Codiroli.

Bill Buckner had a two-run single later in the inning.

Donnie Moore worked two innings for the Angels and was the winner, evening his record at 2-2.

With a final chance to extend his 16-game hitting streak, Pete Rose will be allowed to manage the Cincinnati Reds while he fights his 30-day suspension — the harshest for a manager in 41 years — for shoving an umpire.

Rose said he was shocked to receive the month-long suspension Monday from National League president Bart Giamatti for shoving umpire Dave Pallone. The two shoves during a loss Saturday night to the New York Mets took off an ugly scene at Riverfront stadium, with fans hurling objects at Pallone.

Giamatti called the incident "one of the worst in baseball's recent memory."

The suspension touched off a flurry ofirate phone calls to local talk shows Monday, left Reds players stunned by the severity, and brought calls for an equally severe sanction against Pallone.

"It's kind of a harsh fine. 30 days," pitcher John Franco said.

Angels' big ninth inning, and the streak was over.

"That's a real professional right there," Angels manager Cookie Rojas said. "He put aside his own personal winning streak for the good of the team."

**Blue Jays 8, Mariners 2**

Rookie Todd Stottlemyre worked 61-3 perfect innings, and Fred McGriff hit two homers, leading the Toronto Blue Jays to a 9-2 victory over the Seattle Mariners.

**Royals 9, Red Sox 3**

George Brett lined two doubles and a single, drove in two runs and scored a pair, leading the Kansas City Royals to a 9-3 victory over the Boston Red Sox.

**Rangers 4, Orioles 2**

Pete Incaviglia doubled in one run, and Larry Parrish drove in his second run of the game with a sacrifice fly in a two-run sixth inning that snapped a 2-2 tie and

lifted the Texas Rangers to a 4-2 victory over the Baltimore Orioles in light drizzle.

**Athletics 8, Tigers 2**

Dave Stewart became the Major League's first-game winner, and Carney Lansford and Mike Gallego each had three RBIs as the Oakland Athletics beat the Detroit Tigers 8-2 yesterday for their ninth straight win.

## Judge reduces bail for Jenkins

SAN DIEGO, May 4, (AP): A judge reduced bail today for 1972 British Olympic silver medalist David Jenkins, who is awaiting sentencing for his admitted role in a multimillion-dollar steroid smuggling ring.

Jenkins, 35, now of Carlsbad, California, has two other silver medals as a member of Britain's 1,600-meter relay track team.

US district judge J. Lawrence Irving approved the defence request to reduce Jenkins' bail from \$500,000 to \$330,000.

The action allowed the defendant's in-laws to remove their son from his home in San Diego County, California, residence from properties pledged last year to secure Jenkins'

Photos shed light on Budd affair

JOHANNESBURG, May 4. (Reuters): Photographs from a South African newspaper archive added evidence yesterday to the British investigation of South African-born runner Zola Budd's visit last year.

The photographs show Budd apparently receiving a bouquet of flowers from a little girl on the podium at a New Year's Eve road race in the South African town of Randfontein.

Some of the pictures show her alongside former track star Janis van Zyl, who is holding a microphone and appears to be addressing a crowd of people below the stand.

The photographs have been resting in the photo library of the Johannesburg newspaper, the Star, and only one has previously been published.

**Joking**

"Those pictures were taken after the event," Van Zyl told Reuters yesterday. "We were just joking around while people were packing up. Zola was never on the podium in any official capacity."

Budd, who became a British citizen in 1984, has been accused by anti-apartheid campaigners in Europe of violating South Africa's exclusion from world sports by participating in two races there last year.

She has denied the charges in London, saying she was a spectator at both events. Local sports officials confirmed her claim that she arrived at the Randfontein race on a bicycle.



All the winners of the Al Mulla Badminton Cup, held recently, with Ivan Pacheco — director of Al Mulla Group. The men's and women's singles titles were won by Regi Joseph and Renny John respectively. Ravi Mathews and Cherry George took the men's doubles crown while Renny Tharian and Susan Jacob won the women's doubles. John Kurian and Suja Varghese clinched the mixed doubles title.

S. Korea unveils secret Army for 1988 Games

SEOUL, May 4. (Reuters): South Korea lifted the veil of secrecy from its Olympic Commando Army today — and scared the life out of the world's press.

For the first time since Olympic security training began six years ago, the authorities threw open the gates of a hitherto top-secret police camp in southern Seoul and laid on a startling demonstration of anti-terrorist techniques, some of them acquired in training with Britain's elite SAS regiment.

**Paces**

Reporters winced, ducked and jumped in fright as black-clad members of the police commando unit went through their paces.

The commandos emptied live machine-gun bullets into cardboard "terrorist" blast-bombed an Olympic village apartment to free "hostages" and detonated a booby-trapped suitcase bomb.

Earlier, journalists were showered with fragments of brick and tile during a martial arts demonstration which combined Korea's ancient taekwondo with some of the newer and nastier Western techniques of unarmed combat.

By the time a sharpshooter had picked off a line of balloons from 200 metres with a West German sniper rifle the message for any

would-be terrorist was clear: think twice before messing with this bunch.

A senior police officer at the camp said that members of his unit had undergone training in Britain with the SAS and the counter-terrorist services in West Germany, France and the United States.

Senior anti-terrorist personnel from all over countries had also visited Seoul to advise on training and strategy, he said.

The total number of men attached to the unit remains a secret. But security officials said scores of 12- to 16-man commando squads will be deployed throughout Seoul from August in preparation for the Olympics, which start on September 17.

**Acts**

The commandos are regarded as a "last resort" option to deal only with acts of terrorism. Other operations at more than 300 Games facilities will be carried out by about 100,000 police and military personnel.

In the southern city of Pusan, where the yachting events will be held, an elaborate security cordon has been arranged.

Commando frogmen will patrol the yachting courses, naval gunboats will be close by and frigates will be stationed further out to sea.

Lakers edge Spurs for 2nd round

NEW YORK, May 4. (AP): Magic Johnson had 25 points and 11 assists and Mychal Thompson scored 23 points as the Los Angeles Lakers beat the San Antonio Spurs 109-107 last night and advanced to the second round of the NBA playoffs.

The Spurs could have seen the game into overtime, but Johnny Dawkins missed a layup with four seconds remaining and the Lakers ran out the clock.

The Lakers, who have won 15 consecutive first-round games and swept their last five first-round series, will face the winner of the Portland-Utah series in the next round.

Walter Berry came off the Spurs bench to lead all scorers with 27 points, while Frank Brickowski added 22.

The Spurs had a 91-89 lead at the beginning of the final period, but Thompson's basket with 8:16 left tied the score at 97.

James Worthy later gave the Lakers the lead for good at 104-102. A basket by Johnson was offset by a field goal by Greg Anderson, making the score 106-104 with 2:50 left before Johnson scored three straight points to increase the margin to 109-104.

In other games last night, Dallas took a 2-1 series lead with a 92-92 victory over Houston, and Cleveland avoided elimination against Chicago, defeating the Bulls 110-102.

This evening, it was to be Boston at New York, Detroit at Washington, Atlanta at Milwaukee and Portland at Utah. The Celtics and Hawks lead their series 3-0 while the Pistons lead 2-1 and the Trail Blazers and Jazz are tied 1-1.

**Mavericks 93, Rockets 92**

Roy Tarpley scored six of his 17 points in the final minutes, including the go-ahead basket with 3:45 to play, leading Dallas over Houston.

The Mavericks, who ended a five-game playoff losing streak on the road, had to overcome 35 points and 12 rebounds by Akem Oluajun and some last-minute heroics by the Rockets.

**Cavaliers 110, Bulls 102**

Mark Price scored 31 points and Larry Nance and Brad Daugherty each made a crucial basket in the final minute as Cleveland held off a Chicago rally.

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## SPORTS

## SPORTS BRIEFS

## Italian Open

ROME, May 4, (Reuters): Towering West German Claudia Kohde-Kilsch breezed into the third round of the Italian Open women's tennis tournament yesterday, routing Italian Kathy Caverzasio 6-0 6-1 in just three-quarters of an hour.

## Newcastle player

LONDON, May 4, (Reuters): Newcastle's new, expensive signing John Robertson cannot make his debut for the English First Division side in the final match of the season against West Ham on Saturday in case his team win by eight goals.

## Player-coach

COVENTRY, England, May 4, (AP): England international Cyril Regis yesterday took a first step towards becoming the nation's first black soccer manager when he was appointed player-coach of Coventry City.

## Diego Maradona

NAPLES, Italy, May 4, (Reuters): Diego Maradona looks certain to be out of action for champions Napoli in Sunday's vital Italian League clash against Fiorentina because of a thigh injury, the team doctor said yesterday.

## Balloon race

PALM SPRINGS, California, May 4, (UPI): The giant helium-filled Rosie O'Grady made an emergency landing on an island in the Gulf of California early yesterday to capture the world's oldest balloon race, officials said.

## European list

LONDON, May 4, (Reuters): Mike Hawwood of Australia, winner of the Portuguese Open golf tournament on Sunday, has jumped 49 places to second in the European money winners' list which was issued today.

## Dope tests

PARIS, May 4, (Reuters): The French athletics federation said yesterday it would introduce immediately outside competition as part of international efforts to stamp out drug-taking in sport.

## Bridge

RESULTS of the SAS Bridge Game played on Sunday:  
1st Sandra Turvey & Gill White  
2nd Joanne Aher & Catherine Gairgale  
3rd Lynne Edwards & Penny Leaver  
4th  
1st Douglas D'Sa & Margaret Maynard  
2nd Diane Falk & Peg Adley  
3rd Cassie Savatelli & Howard Tones.

## EDBERG AND ZIVOJINOVIC EXTENDED TO THREE SETS

## Perez stuns McEnroe in 1st round

NEW YORK, May 4, (Reuters): A well-behaved but error-prone John McEnroe was bounced out of the Tournament of Champions in the first round yesterday by Diego Perez of Uruguay.

Perez took advantage of 52 unforced errors and five double faults by the McEnroe, seeded fourth, to stall his comeback with a 7-6 2-6 6-3 victory in two hours and 36 minutes.

McEnroe, 29, who has won this event twice—in 1983 and '84—and who grew up near the Forest Hills venue, never found his groove and failed to play his usual attacking game.

Nervous  
"I just played good enough to win, but he played pretty bad," said Perez, admitting he was nervous during the match.

This \$677,500 tournament is now left with just one major star—top seed Stefan Edberg of Sweden, who beat John Ross of the United States 6-7 (5-7), 7-6 (7-5), 6-2.

Seventeen-year-old Venezuelan qualifier Nicolas Pietrangeli, playing in his first Grand Prix tournament, upset 12th seed Paul Annacoe 7-5 7-6.



Zivojinovic: stretched by Courier

Perez, who plays for his country's Davis Cup team, stormed back from 5-2 down in the second set tiebreaker to take a 6-5 lead and avoided a third set

player in, my life so it's very important for me," said Pereira, ranked 323 in the world.

In other first-round matches, eighth-seeded Slobodan Zivojinovic was extended to three sets before beating American Jim Courier 6-4 1-6 6-2, and seventh seed American Aaron Krickstein finished off Spain's Juan Aguilera 2-6 6-1 6-2 in a match that was suspended by rain after two sets on Monday.

Perez, much happier on clay than McEnroe, who called it his "worst surface," was able to take advantage of an unusually tentative McEnroe early in the first set and won 10 of the first 11 points.

McEnroe lost his serve for the second time in the 11th game to fall behind 5-6, but broke right back to force the tiebreaker. The former world number one committed four straight unforced errors to fall behind 0-4 in the tiebreaker and lost 7-2 on his third double fault of the set.

Several calls went against the often ill-tempered McEnroe, but after questioning them he took them in stride.

McEnroe played better in the

second set but never appeared sharp and never took control. Perez, 26, broke McEnroe in the second and sixth games of the deciding set to take a commanding 5-1 lead.

The 14th-ranked McEnroe fought off two match points in the dramatic 20-point seventh game and converted his sixth break point to survive another game. But Perez held serve at 15 in the ninth game to close out the match.

"I would like to have done really well in New York," McEnroe said. "Mentally I just didn't concentrate. I do feel nervous (in New York) because I want to play better and I end up playing worse."

McEnroe did not play for seven months following the US Open in September because of a suspension for on-court misbehavior and a chronic back injury. He said he was not concerned about what the loss means to his comeback.

"I'm not really worried. If I do," he became number one (again) but I'm number five, who knows, maybe it will turn out that I don't mind that."

## Bremen capture W. German title

BONN, May 4, (Reuters): Werder Bremen clinched the West German First Division title that eluded them so narrowly last year by beating Eintracht Frankfurt 1-0 yesterday.

Werder, who led throughout the 1986-87 season only to be pipped by Bayern Munich in the last weeks of the season, won the title this year with three games still to play. With 50 points, they have an unassailable lead.

Karl-Heinz Riedle scoring the only goal of the match 20 minutes before the final whistle in a game marked by Bremen's cautious, defensive play.

National squad member Frank Neubarth slightly soured matters for the new champions by being sent off after elbowing Dieter Schindwein in the face.

## Madugalle retained as Sri Lanka captain

COLOMBO, May 4, (Reuters): Sri Lanka, stung by the poor performances of their cricket team, are making intensive efforts to strengthen the side for their forthcoming visit to England.

But the selectors have kept faith with Ranjan Madugalle, retaining him as captain for the eight-week tour, a cricket board official said today.

Secretary Nusi Mohammed said the team's itinerary in England, to be finalised in the next few days, was expected to include one Test match, one one-

day international and matches against nine counties.

Madugalle, 28, an elegant right-hand bat, was first appointed captain last November, for the side's six-week tour of Australia in December and January.

## Losing

He took over from Duleep Mendis, who was under pressure to step down after Sri Lanka lost all their six matches in the 1987 World Cup in India and Pakistan.

But, Madugalle's team did not do much better in Australia, los-

ing by an innings and 108 runs in the only Test and winning just one of their eight games in the limited overs triangular tournament with Australia and New Zealand.

In a limited overs tournament in the United Arab Emirates in March this year Madugalle's team were beaten by both India and New Zealand.

Concerned about these defeats, the cricket board has picked 29 of the island's best cricketers for practices before selecting the final team.

The board has also organised a

## Lancias take lead in Corsica rally

AJACCIO, Corsica, May 4, (Reuters): French drivers Bruno Saby and Yves Loubet drove their Lancias into the first two places in the opening stage of the four-day Tour of Corsica motor rally yesterday.

In what was effectively a short sprint prologue before the tour got under way in earnest today, the 1986 Corsican champion Saby completed the 2.68-km stage in one minute 52 seconds,

one second faster than Loubet.

Two other Frenchmen Bernard Beguin, winner of last year's rally, and Francois Chatriot, both in BMWs, were a further second behind.

Saby said that, though the results of the short stage had little significance, he expected the BMWs and the Fords of Didier Aurioi of France and Carlos Sainz of Spain, who finished fifth and sixth, to be the Lancias' main challengers.

World champion Juha Kankkunen of Finland, seventh in a Toyota, said: "I don't think the car is quite ready yet. I'm here to test it even if I don't like this very difficult course since the death of Henri Toivonen."

Toivonen was killed with American-born co-driver Sergio Cresto in an accident in the 1986 rally. Four competitors have died in the last three years of the event, which has been heavily criticised on safety grounds.

## Stage set for powerboat race

## By Gail Seery

KUWAIT'S first offshore powerboat race was held in October last year. The idea was a little slow to take off, but around 20 drivers pitted their boats against difficult sea conditions, and one another.

Some of those who had entered the race decided not to venture out when they saw the size of the waves, and at the end of the race, the prizes outnumbered the finishers. However, the drivers and their friends were already talking about the next race, and about making the events twice yearly in future.

The 2nd Bi-annual Kuwait Offshore Powerboat Race, sponsored by the Arab Times & Al Seyassah newspapers, will take place at the Messilah Beach Hotel at 1pm on June 3. This year the interest shown in the event has increased considerably, and the race has attracted tempting prizes, including a Honda CRX car, and an 18ft Rodan boat and trailer. A number of Dubai-



An action shot from last year's race.

based boat racers are also considering travelling to Kuwait to compete in the event, and there will certainly be stiff competition for first place.

Offshore powerboat racing is a very new sport to the Gulf, and has taken place in an organised form only since 1986 when the first Dubai powerboat race was held. The Kuwait event is the

second of its kind in the Gulf, and it is hoped that a national association can be formed—and ultimately an international confederation—so that a championship series of races can be created.

Boat enthusiasts should enjoy the 61.1 nautical miles race, and those who don't race will have the opportunity to see some

specialist powerboats taking part. Although the Dubai event is split into classes to cater both for high-powered racing boats and for standard boats, it has been decided to have just one class for the Kuwait event.

Organisation of the previous event was criticised by competitors last year, and so, great efforts are being made by the organising committee, headed by Wael Khoury, to ensure that the race is run efficiently and competently, with safety always uppermost in mind.

In order to improve on last year's race, the Arab Times and Al Seyassah are appealing for volunteers to help control the racers. Those with their own boats are particularly welcome to come and help develop a completely new sport in Kuwait. Duties will not be arduous, and will provide an excellent opportunity to see the race at closer quarters.

Those interested should contact the Arab Times for further information.

## UEFA impose limit of four foreign players

ST ANDREWS, Scotland, May 4, (Reuters): European soccer administrators agreed a limit of four foreign players per club at a meeting here yesterday.

The decision taken by the European Football Union (UEFA) executive committee, and announced by President Jacques Georges, will apply to the continent's three major competitions, the European Cup, Cup Winners' Cup and UEFA Cup.

From the start of next season, a club competing in any of these tournaments may field no more than four players who are not qualified to represent that club's country of origin at international level.

But UEFA are allowing a three-year period before this law takes effect. So until the end of the 1990-91 season, all players registered with clubs on or before yesterday's date will be exempt from the ruling.

British Isles clubs, particularly Scottish and English sides when they are re-admitted to European competition, will feel the effect of the new legislation more than most because for the purposes of the rule, England, Scotland, Wales and Ireland will be regarded as separate countries.

Glasgow Rangers, for example, who have several Scottish players, will only be allowed the new maximum. The same will apply to the multi-national Liverpool side who

they are allowed back into European competition.

Georges, confirming no exception had been made for clubs in Scotland, England, Ireland and Wales, said: "We are talking about separate soccer federations, not countries. Britain has four federations, not one."

English League and club officials reacted angrily to the new rule.

"It is a very severe blow to the ambitions of our major clubs," Football League Secretary Graham Kelly said. "It will be very damaging if the rule remains."

Colin Harvey, manager of last year's English champions, Everton, said the proposals were "heavily weighted" against English clubs, currently banned from Europe but who could be readmitted for the start of next season.

Harvey added: "I do not think that many of the leading clubs in England and Scotland will accept it." Everton secretary Jim Greenwood said that he expected massive opposition to the rule.

Of the present Liverpool side who won the First Division title last month, only six qualify as English while just five of the Everton side who won the European Cup Winners' Cup in 1985 were English.

Rangers, knocked out of the European Cup at the quarter-final stage this season, were assisted by five Englishmen and were known to be considering buying more players from south of the border for next season.

## Government holds key to return of English clubs

ST ANDREWS, Scotland, May 4, (Reuters): England's three-year exile from European club soccer competitions will end this year only if the British government gives its consent.

Jacques Georges, French president of the European Football Union (UEFA), said after a UEFA executive committee meeting here yesterday that government support would be a crucial factor in re-admitting English sides following the

Heysel stadium tragedy in 1985.

"Government support is a condition about the English clubs coming back," Georges said. "If they say no—that's it. If we have one-to-one to control the bootleggers what can we do? If something happens UEFA would be responsible."

Georges said a special meeting to discuss the issue would be held in London on May 14, the day of the English FA Cup final between Liverpool and Wimbledon.

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